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DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS.

TO-DAY.

(January 7.)

Helena May Institute, Miss Luba Pecker's pianoforte recital, 5.30 p.m.

Meeting at Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, Speaker Rev. W. W. Rogers, 5.30 p.m.

Golf: Completion of second round, Taggart Cup (Ladies).

Hockey: Radio Sports Club v. German Club.

Photographic Exhibition at The University, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

King's Theatre: "Her Wedding Night."

Queen's Theatre: "The Lyons Mail."

Central Theatre: "Mother's Millions."

World Theatre: "High Society Blues."

Tea Dances at King's Restaurant and Hong Kong Hotel; Dinner Dances at Peninsula Hotel, Hong Kong Hotel and King's Restaurant.

FRIDAY.

(January 8.)

Lammert's Sale of Household Furniture, 53, Hollywood Road, 10.30 a.m.

Hockey: Hong Kong Hockey Club "A" v. Recreio (King's Park) 5 p.m., Radio Sports Club v. St. Andrew's Club.

Kowloon Cricket Club Extraordinary meeting, 8 p.m.

Social Welcome to Rev. Allan at Union Church, Kowloon, 9 p.m.

Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Club; Annual Dance at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant.

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SATURDAY.

(January 9.)

New Territories Agricultural Association Annual Exhibition.

Prize-giving at the University Photographic Exhibition, 5 p.m.

Rugger: Triangular Tournament, Club v. Army, Happy Valley, 4 p.m.

Hockey: Radio Sports Club v. Police.

Cricket.—First Division: Kowloon C.C. v. Hong Kong C.C. (L.), Indian R.C. v. University (L.), Craigengower C.C. v. Royal Artillery (L.), Navy v. Civil Service C.C. (L.), Second Division: University v. Indian R.C. (L.), Recreio v. Craigengower C.C. (L.), Hong Kong C.C. v. Kowloon C.C. (L.), Police v. Borderers (L.).

Football.—Lai Wah Cup Competition: Navy v. Army at 4 p.m.; Chinese League: South China "A" v. Chinese Athletic "B," South China "B" v. Chinese Athletic "A," Eastern v. Yee Woo.

PORT-OF-SPAIN IN TRINIDAD

GREAT LAKE OF PITCH—FOR ASPHALT ROADS.

THERE was a faint morning mist enshrouding the three peaks of the Trinity, the mountains which caused Columbus to give this island the name of Trinidad. But, as we rode across the Gulf of Paria in the little steam launch and tied up at the wharf of Port of Spain, the fog lifted and we could look back to see the mountains of Venezuela looming hazily in the distance.

The town smote us with colour. Under a truly tropic sun the vegetation was green and brown, the white houses threw solid black shadows, the huts had masses of flowers clambering over them.

COLOUR!

There is a greater amount of colour in the natives, too, than one finds on any other island of the West Indies group—colour with all its amazing mixtures and complications attendant upon the conglomeration of races. For here there is not just the Negro and the white man (including the Portuguese and the French), but the Chinese, the Hindu, and all the connecting ages. Strangest of all, perhaps, is to hear English—English, that is, as it has survived in Trinidad—issuing from the mouths of the ebony Negro, the yellow Chinese, the mahogany Hindu, and the countless half-breed urchins of all these. The language takes on almost the puzzling charm of a foreign tongue, so twisted, so slurred and abbreviated has it become; and the utter disregard of all natives for the correct use of pronouns causes more than one visitor to look blank and then to laugh.

Long ago Port of Spain was the Puerto de los Espanoles of the Spanish; but it fell into the hands of the English and has emerged as a new and handsome town, with electric trams, lovely homes, an imposing Governor's Palace, modern hotels and business buildings, and a good selection of excellent asphalt roads.

ASPHALT ROADS.

The asphalt roads, so many and so excellent, that lace the island of Trinidad are really to be expected when you remember that Trinidad is the possessor of that amazing, unlimited source of

supply—Pitch Lake. Our steamer anchored off La Brea Point (Brea is the Spanish word for pitch), and we took small boats over a treacherous sea—that pitched us unmercifully to and fro in an effort, apparently, to give us the proper feeling for a lake with that name. After the dock we walked up a gently sloping road to a gate, beyond which is the lake—a lake on which you can walk, your heels sinking quickly into the soft surface, as if it were a hot day on a city street; a lake on which men are working, waist deep in the black stuff; where they have been working for years and will be working for many more years to come. Some little boys ran toward us beseeching here, as everywhere, for pennies, with the ingratiating smile of carefree children. Negroes were digging, out lumps of pitch with their picks; these were loaded in small cars and run on a narrow railway to the "factory" where the pitch is boiled, preparatory to putting it in barrels to be loaded in the holds of countless ships plying from here to the northland.

THE BOTTOMLESS PIT!

That is all there is to it—the men work all day digging themselves into trenches; and, when they come back again next morning, the crevices have filled to the surface again, so that they can, literally, dig for years in the same spot without getting below the top!

Pitch Lake in Trinidad is greatly similar to a pitch lake in Venezuela which, however, is on a higher level, and some people believe that the Trinidad lake must be fed from this distant source since, in all these years, it has maintained its surface at the same level.

Surely this is more than a lake of pitch—it is a lake of gold. Here were all our highways in the making; and, as we stood on the rather isolated wharf, looking across the water to Port of Spain, across the Gulf of Paria to the Boca Islands and the mountains of Venezuela, we seemed to see even beyond them to the shining gray ribbons of road that would carry us to all the beautiful, the romantic, and the out-of-the-way places of the world.



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The telegraph installation consists of a 2-kilowatt valve transmitter as the main set and a 1-kilowatt spark emergency transmitter which is driven by an independent accumulator battery. The receiver covers the full commercial range of long and short wavelengths for all types of transmission, Spark, I.C.W., C.W. and Telephony, and included in the receiving instruments are special facilities for eliminating interference by local stations when it is desired to receive over long distances.

The requirements of navigation, for taking wireless bearings of distant objects, are met by the Marconi Direction Finder, of which the latest type with the rigid fixed frame aerial system, is fitted. One of the lifeboats also carries a wireless transmitter and receiver with an accumulator battery as a source of power. This set is exceptionally efficient and has a range considerably in excess of that demanded by regulations.

Wireless Telephone Equipment.

The wireless telephone equipment in the *Monarch of Bermuda* is of a type specially developed for naval and mercantile use, and can, in addition, be used for wireless telegraphy if required. The transmitter can be tuned to any wavelength between 20 metres and 120 metres, but in practice five wavelengths are found to be efficient for the telephone service, any one of them being brought into use to meet the conditions of the moment. A single wire aerial 120 ft. long is used for the wireless telephone set. The receiver, with a wave range of from 15 metres to 120 metres, is designed and constructed for a high standard of quality of reception.

The two wireless telephone stations with which the ship will normally communicate will be at New York and Bermuda, and through these stations the ship will be linked with the telephone systems of the world.

Band Repeater and Music Player.

The Marconi Band Repeater installation is unique both as to the extent of the equipment and in the choice of entertainment available. A total of 20 loud speakers, of varying sizes are installed, being distributed between the private suites, public rooms and dancing spaces on deck. A choice can be made for these loud speakers, from three sources of entertainment, i.e., broadcast reception, gramophone music, or the ship's orchestra or concert. Provision is also made for making special or emergency announcements, whereby every loud speaker is fitted with its own volume control and On and Off switch.

BRITISH RADIO DEVELOPMENTS.

EMPIRE-WIDE PROGRAMME THIS YEAR.

London, December 29.—It is learned that important developments, like an Empire-wide programme, which will materialise within a year, have influenced the Government's decision in connection with the appointment of governors for the British Broadcasting Corporation in consequence of the expiration of the present board's tenure of five years in office.

Lord Gainsford, director of several colliery companies, has been re-appointed vice-chairman for a period of five years, while Viscountess Snowden, wife of the former Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Dr. M. J. Rendall, who was a footballer at Cambridge and for 13 years' headmaster of Winchester, will sit as governor for another year.

A new governor is the noted commercial and financial expert, Mr. Harold G. Brown, who has been appointed for five years in succession to Sir Gordon Nairne, who has resigned.

All the appointments have received the approval of the King.

Television Possibilities.

The construction of a special television studio is being planned by the British Broadcasting Corporation in its new palatial broadcasting house, which is equipped with the Baird television transmitting apparatus. This is a sequel to the recent announcement by the Corporation that it had initiated discussions with the Baird Television Company to explore the possibility of more active participation in television transmission, with the object of studying its entertainment aspect.

Latterly the British Broadcasting Corporation itself originated television programmes, but these were chiefly for experimental and trade purposes.

The new Empire broadcasting station which the Corporation is erecting at Daventry will comprise two transmitters, each capable of working on a number of wave lengths, so that various parts of the Empire will be reached at times suitable for local reception.

The Corporation has had a very successful year. Its stations transmitted for a total of nearly 68,000 hours during the past year, and the percentage of breakdown time was only .03.

speaker can be switched over to a microphone for announcements by the Captain or the Purser.

A double turntable gramophone unit, amplifier, motor, generator set, and other accessories are installed in the Cinema Room of the ship. Microphones mounted on stands will be used in the Saloon, on the stage and on the Dancing Decks, to relay concerts, dance music and other items to other parts of the ship. Broadcast entertainment will be received on a special receiver for the band repeater. Each loud speaker is fitted with its own volume control and On and Off switch.

LIGHTHOUSES AND WIRELESS.

THE VALUE OF CO-OPERATION IN NAVIGATIONAL SERVICE.

Navigational aids to assist shipping in making port take three forms: (1) light signals for clear weather; (2) sound signals for use in fog; and (3) wireless signals which are available in all weather conditions and permit accurate bearings to be taken over long distances.

Mr. J. P. Bowen, Engineer-in-Chief to Trinity House, pointed out, in a lecture to the International Navigation Congress at Birmingham, that each of these aids has a specific duty to perform and that lighthouses will attain a new value through working in co-operation with wireless aids.

Lights, from the navigator's point of view, may be divided into three categories, said Mr. Bowen: Landfall lights, coastal lights, and port and harbour lights; and it is necessary to give to each a distinguishing characteristic in order that one may not be mistaken for another.

This involves a consideration of the intensity of the beam required, the source of light available and the characteristic which the light has to exhibit.

Sound Signals.

The coastwise lights, although valuable to the mariner in enabling him to make his port of call in clear weather, lose their usefulness when they become enveloped by fog, and other navigational aids have then to be provided for safeguarding shipping. These aids take the form of sound signals, both aerial and under water, and wireless signals, the latter being of comparatively recent introduction.

Wireless Signals.

Radio beacons are established for the purpose of enabling ships to obtain direction, and are of two types. One of these consists of a stationary wireless transmitter sending out in all directions at regulated periods, a characteristic code signal indicative of the station. For taking a bearing of the beacon a ship must be fitted with a direction finder, which comprises a special form of wireless receiver coupled to a frame aerial. The radio compass or direction finder when installed on board ship is set with its zero on the fore and aft line of the vessel, and all bearings are given relative to this line. To obtain the true bearing of the radio beacon the true bearing of the ship's head must simultaneously be read and added to the ascertained wireless bearing.

The fixed radio beacon can be installed on a floating base as well as on shore stations, and it is sometimes installed in a lightship. If an under-water sound signal is also installed in the lightship the two signals can be combined to give direction as well as direction. This is

accomplished by synchronising the wireless and the sound signal and transmitting them simultaneously. The wireless signal travels through the ether in an immeasurably short space of time, while sound in water travels at the rate of approximately a mile per second. Distance can thus be readily computed by noting the difference in time which elapses between the reception of the two signals.

The other type of radio beacon operates in the reverse manner, the rotating frame aerial being at the transmitting end and the fixed aerial at the receiving end. With this system the transmitter must be installed at a land station, as it depends for its functioning upon a fixed zero.

Wireless Telegraphy.

Wireless telephones are installed in light vessels and rock lighthouses, and are used for oral communication either for life-saving purposes or for reporting passing shipping, besides the general service messages which are necessary in connection with casualties, extinction of lights, and weather conditions. They are sometimes equipped with a bell-calling device which enables one station to call up another when required without the necessity of an operator always listening in. This is actually a form of distant control.

Each aid to navigation, in its respective sphere, has a specific duty to perform which cannot be undertaken by any of the others. The radio beacon during fog, provides assistance to the master of a ship by showing him what course to shape, while the audible sound signal warns him when he is running into danger, and the light-house light, when he sees it with his own eyes reassures him that he has correctly laid down his positions on the chart.

HOME TELEVISION IN TWO YEARS.

SPEAKER'S PREDICTION AT BAIRD COMPANY MEETING.

London, December 31.—Television in homes and theatres within two years was the prediction made by Major Church, one of the directors, at the annual general meeting of the Baird Television Company. By then, he stated, the radio manufacturers in Britain and in other countries would be devoting most of their plants to the production of television apparatus.

"Television is no longer restricted to close-up views of the head and shoulders," stated Lord Amphil. "It is now possible to transmit a scene consisting of a group of several persons and to broadcast specially written plays."

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HAVE YOU HEARD THESE?

Here are lists of long-wave and short-wave stations which should be picked up by anyone in Hong Kong who has a moderately good set suitable for receiving such signals. Success in picking up these stations also depends very largely upon favourable atmospheric conditions. Readers are invited to add to this list should they succeed in picking up any station not included in either of these lists.

LONG-WAVE STATIONS.

Wave length (Metres)	Station	Call Sign	Kilo-cycle
260	Manila	KZLB	1,163
277	Shanghai	K.S.M.S.	1,083
345	Tokyo	J.O.A.K.	870
353	Hiroshima	J.O.F.K.	850
355	Hong Kong	Z.B.W.	846
357.1	Bombay	V.U.B.	840
361	Sapporo	J.O.I.K.	830
366	Kobe	J.O.D.K.	820
370	Nagoya	J.O.C.K.	810
370.4	Calcutta	V.U.C.	809.9
380	Kumamoto	J.O.G.K.	790
390	Sendo	J.O.H.K.	770
395	Dairen	J.O.A.K.	760
400	Osaka	J.O.B.K.	750
410	Chong	O.M.B.	733
480	Manila	K.Z.B.M.	625

SHORT-WAVE STATIONS.

Wave length (Metres)	Station	Call Sign	Kilo-cycle	Time (How Often) or Wavelength
27.85	Dobruha (Germany)	A.F.K.	4,344	Mon, Wed, & Fri, 6 p.m. & 2 a.m.
29.13	Khabarovsk (Russia)	R.A.P.	4,500	6-10 p.m.
30.17	Nagasaki	A.C.T.	4,590	Not regular
30.5	Moscow	R.V.N.	5,000	Tues, Thurs, Sat, 8 p.m.
30.5	Rome	I.M.A.	5,080	Sunday midnight
31.5	London	C.A.G.	7,142	Daily 10 p.m. & 11 p.m.
31.5	Amsterdam	R.A.I.B.	7,300	Not regular
32.5	Kootwijk (Holland)	P.C.L.	7,780	Daily 11 p.m.
37.1	Bangkok (Siam)	H.S.A.P.J.	8,108	Tues, & Fri, 9 p.m.—1 a.m.
37.5	Sydney	S.B.L.	8,280	Not regular
37.5	Albany	S.B.O.	8,280	Not regular
37.5	Schennedy	W.S.T.	8,300	Daily 1 a.m.
37.5	Rotterdam (Holland)	P.O.S.	8,300	2 a.m., Sat. 3 a.m. & 10 a.m.
37.5	Sydney	P.O.S.	8,300	Not regular
37.5	Nairobi (Kenya)	T.L.O.	10,577	Midnight daily
37.5	Sydney	S.M.E.	10,688	Not regular
37.5	Sydney	P.L.R.	11,020	Midnight—3 a.m. daily
37.5	Chongqing (England)	S.S.W.	11,761	1200 m. & 3 a.m. daily, except Saturdays and Sundays
37.5	Manila	K.I.X.E.	12,240	Nightly
37.5	Schennedy	W.I.O.	12,580	4 a.m. Wed, Fri, Sat
37.5	Schennedy	P.L.O.	12,580	Daily 4 a.m. to midnight
37.5	Schennedy	S.M.E.	12,580	Not regular
37.5	Schennedy	P.L.P.	12,580	Daily 1 p.m. to midnight
37.5	Schennedy	H.S.L.P.J.	17,701	Sundays 7 p.m. & midnight
37.5	Schennedy	P.O.K.	18,404	Each afternoon
37.5	Schennedy	P.L.P.	18,404	Daily 1200-1 p.m.
37.5	Schennedy	P.L.P.	18,404	Not regular
37.5	Schennedy	P.L.P.	18,404	Not regular

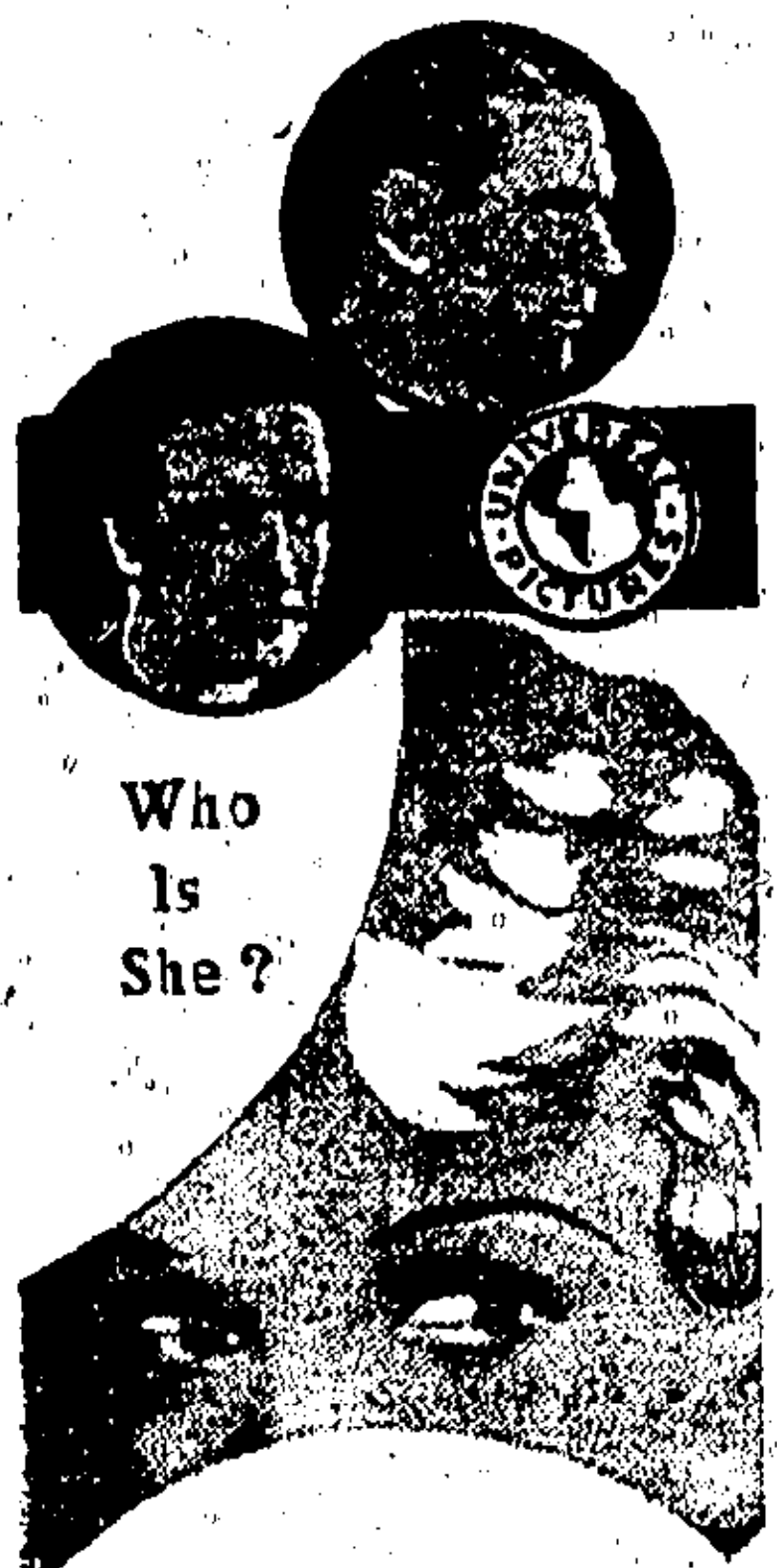
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Queen's.
"The Lyons Mail."
Central.
"Mother's Millions."
King's.
"Her Wedding Night."
World.
"Dawn Patrol."

KOWLOON.

Star.
"Good News."

COMING.

Queen's.
"Laughing Sinners."
With Joan Crawford.
"Love is Like That."
"Oh Sailor Behave."
Central.
"The Common Law."
"Charley's Aunt."
With Charles Ruggles and
Jane Collyer.
King's.
"Silence."
With Clive Brook.
"Merely Mary Ann."
"Bad Girl."
"Tilly of Bloomsbury."
A British Picture.
World.
"High Society Blues."
"Beloved Martyr."
(Chinese Film).
"Dynamite."
"Love's Identity" (Part 2)
(Chinese picture).
"Be Yourself."
Ep. 4 (Chinese picture).
Star.
"The Ghost Train."
"New York Nights."
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A Paramount Picture
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MOVIE NEWS

ON THE SCREEN IN HONG KONG.



James Hall and Frances Dade in "Mother's Millions" at the Central Theatre.

MOTHER'S MILLIONS.

TALE OF A WOMAN ROCK-
FELLER AND HER
CHILDREN.

"Mother's Millions," which opened yesterday at the Central Theatre, is an example of a good play transferred almost bodily to the screen, and with equally good, if not better, results. Howard McKent Barnes wrote the play originally for May Robson, for whom it proved a financial and artistic success. It was this success which inspired her to use it for her talking picture debut.

Winnifred Dunn is credited with the adaptation but the chief thing is the vital and gripping performance of May Robson. This is not to be wondered at. The play was written for her, and James Flood very wisely retained the splendid dramatic climaxes, the appropriate comedy relief and the stage char-

acterizations which made the original play such a success.

The story deals with the trials and tribulations of the son and daughter of the richest woman in the world. The girl is eagerly sought in marriage by a number of well-to-do fortune hunters. The boy is a mark for his mother's greatest rival, for the mother is a dominating figure in Wall Street, a tyrant in her own home, endeavouring to bring up her children to be self-reliant, and to educate them in the school of life so that they can retain and enjoy the heritage of wealth which she will leave them. The unexpected twists of this story are highly effective and last night's audience enjoyed it all thoroughly.

Frances Dade is one of the most beautiful of the new screen ingenues; James Hall and Lawrence Gray bear their roles with distinction. A word of praise should be given Lillian Harmer for a remarkable piece of characterization. Edmund Breese, of course, is always good, and is especially effective in the rôle of William Remington.

"HER WEDDING
NIGHT."

AT KING'S THEATRE:
**CLARA, RALPH FORBES
AND RUGGLES.**

"Her Wedding Night," revealing the amusing and romantic adventures of a red-haired movie star who tries to escape her admirers, and a song writer whose lady friends make life miserable for him, is the theme of Clara Bow's new hit at the King's Theatre to-day.

"Her Wedding Night," is an Avery Hopwood farce, with a succession of comedy situations that bubble and froth in rapid crescendo to an exciting climax.

Ralph Forbes, the handsome hero of "Beau Geste," and recently seen in "A Lady of Scandal," with Ruth Chatterton, gives full play to his talents for straight farce in this show. And Charlie Ruggles, playing in his first Paramount Hollywood studio picture, brings his fresh humour to an important supporting rôle. Also, there's Skeets Gallagher's laugh-provoking seriousness to add spice to the comedy, and a trio of Hollywood beauties, Geneva Mitchell, Rosita Moreno and Natalie Kingston.

The story opens in Paris where Clara is battling a host of heart-breakers and preparing to escape to the south of France. On the trip, she is marooned at a small way-station and mistaken for an eloping bride, wedded against her will to Skeets Gallagher, and, as he is travelling under an assumed name, she becomes the bride, by proxy, of a man she has never even met. When the strangely paired couple does meet there's a delightful love story.



CHARLES RUGGLES

JOAN CRAWFORD IN
"LAUGHING SINNERS"

WEARS ODD MAKEUP IN
NEW PICTURE.

Joan Crawford hides her beauty behind a grotesque makeup in the opening scenes of "Laughing Sinners," her new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer starring vehicle which will come on Sunday to the Queen's Theatre.

In these scenes Joan performs a "rube" dance number in a road-house, donning an eccentric make-up for the act, farmer's overalls, big straw hat, her face hidden by a clown's nose and spectacles. The purpose of the makeup is to accentuate the pathos in the dramatic incidents that follow immediately, disclosing the broken heart of the madcap night club entertainer.

Harry Beaumont directed the film from the Kenyon Nicholson stage hit, "The Torch Song."

Neil Hamilton and Clark Gable share leading man and honours. Included in the cast are Marjorie Rambeau, Guy Kibbee, Cliff Edwards and a number of others.

"SILENCE."

CLIVE BROOK IN A
MELODRAMA.

"Silence," the new Clive Brook—Marjorie Rambeau—Peggy Shannon melodrama, which comes to the King's Theatre next Sunday, is a gripping story of a man's betrayal of the woman he loves, and his final awakening to a greater love when his daughter is imperilled by the misdeeds of his own past.

Clive Brook, who plays the leading rôle, is seen as the weak and handsome crook, whose love brings heart-break to the woman who loves him. Twenty years elapse between the early and final action of the story. Brook meets his daughter, grown to young womanhood, engaged to be married. Her father's past threatens her happiness, and Brook, awakes at last to his own worthlessness, sacrifices himself to save her.

"Silence" brings Peggy Shannon, the red-haired beauty recently seen in "The Secret Call," in two rôles, that of the wife and daughter of Brook. The two characters which she portrays never meet during the action of the story, but the opportunity to play two contrasting rôles gives an extraordinary opportunity. Marjorie Rambeau, the popular stage and screen actress, has the other leading feminine rôle.

The moving picture brings one of the most popular stage melodramas to the screen. "Silence," a few seasons ago, was one of Broadway's hits. Paramount employed its author, Max Marcin, to prepare the film script and assist in the direction with Louis Gasnier. Marcin has lately turned to picture directing, and with Gasnier, directed "The Lawyer's Secret."

LAUGHS AT THE
"STAR."

"THREE LIVE GHOSTS," A
GREAT FILM.

"Three Live Ghosts," the talking picture now showing at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, is undoubtedly one of the funniest films ever shown on the local screen. It is one scream from start to finish, and should not be missed by those who like to hear real cockney "as she is spoke."

Though produced in America, English actors predominate, giving the production a delightfully English atmosphere.

The scene is laid in London after the Armistice when three soldier friends, two officially "dead" and one crazy from shell-shock, return home from German prison camps. The character acting throughout is excellent and the denouement is as startling as it is unexpected.

"Three Live Ghosts" has our unqualified approval. Don't miss it!

The Intellectual Vamp
Has Arrived

[By ERNEST BETTS.]

If you want to see a distinguished, witty and arresting piece of acting, go and see Miss Lisa Claire in "Rebound."

Miss Claire, in this picture, is the screen's intellectual vamp, and yet she is not a vamp in the ordinary sense. She is much too charming for that, and loves with far too deep a passion.

If you watch her in this film—though it is more of a play than a film—you will notice that she scorns all the tricks of the accomplished man-killer. She doesn't put on a gramophone record, or wait for the moon to come up or sing into her young man's ear with the object of pinning him to matrimony.

Once, and once only, she bursts into tears, and is pursued into a leafy glade by an all-talking cavalier. But otherwise her tactics are alarmingly unorthodox. A merry man, with nothing but his brains and a cocktail-shaker to help him, cannot stand up to them. At least, it was impossible for Bill to do so.

Two Types of Vamp.

Miss Claire, as Sara in this film, is married to the totally worthless Bill Truesdale (Mr. Robert Ames). After a month of marriage Bill falls for Eve (Miss Myrna Loy), a vamp of the most purple dye.

The two have fatal lunches together in Paris cafes; they stagger from one bar to another, laughing loudly. And in a minute, and gets away every minute, and more involved in romantic hysteria.

She has scenes of stinging satire with her father and her young friend Johnny.

Johnny, of course, wants to marry Sara, especially after that storm of tears in the garden.

Her policy up to then had been to say nothing, or to talk so lightly of love that you knew there was something deep behind it.

Miss Claire excels in these subtle feminine thrusts, and she vamps her husband back by sheer intellectual combat. She has the frightful air of innocence you sometimes get in a person who knows everything. And she is quick as lightning with her verbal retorts.

I enjoyed her performance immensely, because although Miss Claire is beautiful, she acts as if beauty doesn't really count when it comes to a crisis with the man she loves.

Sincerity.

Beneath all her mockeries you can see how passionately sincere she is. And she has a sort of cheek, a burning pride touched with sweetness, which, on me at least, had a most destructive effect.

The story, unfortunately, is too slight for its characters. In the end, after getting out divorce papers, she returns to Bill, though she has sworn never again to beg for his love.

The acting of Mr. Robert Ames, Mr. Robert Williams (as Johnny), Miss Myrna Loy, and Mr. Hale Hamilton is first rate. And while this is one of the best and brightest domestic comedies I have seen, I must warn you of its optical limitations.

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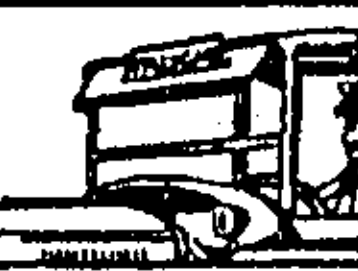
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London University Men.

Hundreds of the men tested were students of University College and King's College, London University. An appeal for volunteers was made by the Provost of University College, and there was a response. The engineering faculty volunteered as one man.

They were taken in groups of four, and the test of each man lasted about ten minutes. He was measured and weighed. His grip and pull were recorded. His height to the tip of the middle finger from the group was measured. Other tests were also made.

"The tests were made on the college premises," said an official of the college to the *New Chronicle* yesterday, "and our men were finished with last Friday. All types of students engaged in various studies were chosen."

Women Too.

The tests have been going on over a period of many months, and have been made by Mr. D. E. R. Hughes, assisted by Mr. J. Chalmers, working under the direction of Prof. E. P. Cathcart, of Glasgow.

"The work has now got as far as the 'analysing' process," said Sir David Munro, the secretary of the board, "Mr. Hughes found that he had not big enough groups of university students and Civil Servants, so more were examined."

"We have already made similar tests of women, and as a result were able to give information to the Home Office as to weights to be handled by women and young persons."

"We do not, of course, know exactly what data we shall get from the new test until the results are analysed."

FRENCH WAR MINISTER

DOWN WITH TYPHOID.

Paris, Dec. 30.—The French Minister of War, M. Maginot has been struck down by typhoid fever, it was learned this morning. It was stated that M. Maginot suddenly fell ill early last week and that the physicians immediately diagnosed his illness as typhoid fever, though the source of the infection remains a complete mystery. However, the attack, which was hitherto kept a secret, is stated to be slight and, according to the official bulletin, there is no cause for alarm.

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The widow said that about six weeks ago Scott had his throat examined, and was told that he would have to undergo an operation. He dreaded this, and had been very worried ever since.

The coroner, recording a verdict of "suicide while of unsound mind," said:

"Scott was suffering from cancer and dreaded the operation he would have to undergo. He was evidently determined that he would rather die than have the operation. It was a pity that he should have jumped to the conclusion that death was preferable to cancer. In some cases it is, but in others there is a very reasonable chance of cure. The results of treating cancer when you can get at it with radium are, in some cases, quite astonishing."

SACRIFICE OF FEES.

AERONAUTICAL RESEARCH COMMITTEE.

The chairman of the Aeronautical Research Committee has notified the Air Council that the non-official members of the Committee have voluntarily agreed to surrender 10 per cent. of the fees due to them for the next year.

There are also many other cases in which medical officers and others in receipt of fees for services rendered to the department have either willingly accepted or voluntarily proposed the surrender of a percentage of these fees.

TO-DAY'S WIRELESS PROGRAMME.

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11 to 11.30 a.m.—Stock and exchange quotations.

11.30 a.m.—Chinese programme.

12.30 p.m.—European programme of Victor and H.M.V. records.

1 p.m.—Local time and weather report.

1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press-news, mail notice, etc.

2 p.m.—Close down.

3 to 8 p.m.—European programme.

8 to 10.30 p.m.—Chinese studio concert.

10.30 p.m.—Rugby mid-day Press news.

5 to 5.35 p.m.—

Selections from "Carmen."

Song—"Love is Like a Wood-bird."

Song—"Chanson Bohème"—Maria Jeritza (Soprano).—8001.

Bird Selection—"Cretore" and his Band.—35841/2.

Song—"Torador Song"—Lawrence Tibbett (Baritone).—8194.

5.35 to 6.05 p.m.—European children's programme from the Studio.

6.05 to 6.38 p.m.—

Orchestral.

"Along the Banks of the Volga" (Bohert).—Mikhail Weber and his Orchestra.—B3837.

"L'Apprenti Sorcier" (Paul Dukas).—Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra of New York, conducted by Arturo Toscanini.—7021.

Waltz (Ravel).—Albert Coates and Symphony Orch.—9130/1.

"Dance of the Spirits of the Earth" (Gustav Holst).—Coates and Symphony Orch.—9131.

7 p.m.—Stock quotations and mail notice.

6.38 to 7.25 p.m.—

Variety.

Humorous Song—"What Archibald Says Goes"—Gracie Fields.—B3592.

Song—"It's a Habit of Mine."

Song—"On Top of the World Alone"—Maurice Chevalier (Baritone).—92007.

Xylophone with Orchestra—"Piano Pastimes."

Xylophone with Orchestra—"Bullfighter March"—The Three Brothers Nehrning.—B3917.

Vocal—"As Time Goes By."

Vocal—"Begging for Love"—Rudy Vallee and his Connecticut Yankees.—27733.

Song—"Together"—Anona Wynn (Soprano).—B2740.

Organ Solo—"Desert Song"—Reginald Foort.—B2483.

Organ Solo—"Riff Song"—Reginald Foort.—B2463.

Humorous Song—"We're Living at the Cloisters."

Humorous Song—"So Tired"—Gracie Fields.—B2739.

Song—"Goodnight Sweetheart"—Russ Columbo (Baritone).—92930.

7.25 to 7.55 p.m.—

Instrumental.

Violin Solo—"Cavatina" (Raff).

Violin Solo—"Serenata" (Toselli).—Ditz Weismann.—B3770.

Piano Solo—"Ballad in F Major Op. 33" (Chopin).—Alfred Cortot.—D.B. 344.

Violin Solo—"Vocalise" (Rachmaninoff-Press).

Violin Solo—"Caprice in E Flat Major" (Wieniawski-Kreisler).—Mischa Elman.—1364.

Piano Solo—"Ballade in F Minor Op. 52" (Chopin).—Alfred Cortot.—D.B. 344.

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7.55 p.m.—Mendelssohn's Wedding March, played by Quentin M. Maclean.—DB298.

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8 p.m.—Local time and weather report.

8.03 to 10.30 p.m.—Chinese studio concert.

10.30 p.m.—Rugby mid-day Press news.

10.35 p.m.—Close down.

TURK MURDER TRIAL.

DEATH SENTENCE PASSED.

"BATHING CAP A DAMNING CLUE."

Eddie Cullens, an American, was at Ulster Assizes found guilty of the murder of Ahmet Musa, a Turk, and was sentenced to death.

Cullens showed no sign of emotion when the jury, after thirty-two minutes' absence from court, gave their verdict.

"All I can say," he said in clear tones, "is that what I swore on my oath that I was not guilty was Bible truth."

The Lord Chief Justice, addressing the prisoner, said: "Well, Eddie Cullens, the jury have found that you were guilty of this crime. In my opinion that decision is perfectly right and justified, and I can hold out no hope whatever that the sentence will not be carried out, although that matter is in the discretion of his Grace the Governor."

"I do not wish to add to the anguish of the position in which you must necessarily find yourself. I therefore proceed to pass upon you the sentence required by law."

The death sentence was then passed by the Lord Chief Justice.

The Lord Chief Justice said he commended in the strongest possible manner District Inspector Lewis and the other officers in the case.

Sentence was passed in a crowded court, well-dressed women filling the gallery.

Clues in the Case.

Cullens and Musa were members of a syndicate of four formed to exploit Zoro Agha, a Turk who claimed to be 150 years of age and the oldest man alive. The syndicate joined up with Bertram Mills' circus and visited a number of places in England.

Musa's nude body was found in a lonely field near Carrickfergus on September 4, and the case for the prosecution was that Cullens lured him to Northern Ireland and there shot him.

A girl's bathing-cap which was on the head of the dead Turk, and a waterproof found near and which was alleged to have been taken from a garage used by Cullens, were clues in the case.

The discovery of a revolver case among Cullens' possessions was also mentioned as strengthening the purely circumstantial evidence.

Cap or Pink Bag?

A girl witness had stated that she saw the bathing-cap fall from the pocket of Musa's car. Cullens submitted that it was not a bathing-cap which the girl saw, but a pink bag.

The Attorney-General, calling attention to the pink bag which the defence had produced as having fallen out of a pocket in the motor-car, alleged that it was a new bag with folds in it, as it must have come out of the shop. It still bore pencil marks denoting the price.

In his summing-up, the Lord Chief Justice referred to the bathing-cap as a most important factor in the case. If the girl's story was correct it was a damning fact against Cullens. Cullens had declared that it was not a bathing-cap but a pink bag which the girl saw. A pink bag was not found in the pocket of the car with the towels when the police searched it.

L.O.J. and Motive.

On the question of motive, the Lord Chief Justice said, "If Cain killed Abel it did not matter upon what ground. It was murder and the blood cried out. Our ignorance as to what the true motive may have been is immaterial."

The Lord Chief Justice pointed out that Cullens on oath had denied everything material in the case brought against him.

Mr. B. J. Fox, addressing the jury for the defence, said, "The Crown case is that Cullens is a monster and not a human being."

Contending that there was no motive in the case, Mr. Fox exclaimed, "People do not murder for the mere sake of murder. The Crown has failed to prove why this man should have taken the life of a man who was regarded by himself and by others as his friend."

"My learned friend says I put Cullens before you as a monster," the Attorney-General observed. "I put him before you as a criminal and as a cruel and clever criminal, though he undoubtedly made several serious mistakes."

SNAIL FOUND IN TUMBLER.

WOMAN'S APPEAL TO HOUSE OF LORDS.

An action arising out of the alleged presence of a snail in ginger beer was considered in the House of Lords by Lord Buckmaster, Atkin, Tomlin, Thankerton and Macmillan.

The case was one in which Mrs. May McAlister, or Donoghue, now residing in Glasgow, claimed £500 from Mr. David Stevenson, aerated water manufacturer, Paisley.

In August, 1928, Mrs. McAlister went into a Paisley café with a friend, who ordered ice cream and ginger beer. The ginger beer was poured from a bottle into a tumbler containing ice cream, and Mrs. McAlister drank some of it. Her friend poured out the remainder of the ginger beer, and it was alleged, a snail in a state of decomposition floated out of the bottle.

Mrs. McAlister's case was that in consequence of the sight of the snail in such circumstances and the ginger beer she drank she suffered from shock and became ill.

Mr. Stevenson denied that the ginger beer contained a snail, and said that Mrs. McAlister's illness was not due to her drinking ginger beer from his factory. He maintained that the action was irrelevant.

The Lord Ordinary in the Court of Sessions in Scotland found that the action was relevant, but his judgment was reversed by the second division of the Court of Sessions.

Mr. G. Morton, K.C., for Mrs. McAlister, having mentioned a previous case in which a mouse was concerned, Lord Macmillan said he seemed to remember a case of a mouse in marmalade.

Lord Buckmaster said all these things seemed to happen in Scotland. (Laughter.)

Lord Macmillan: The marmalade was made in England. (Laughter.) The hearing was adjourned.

PRINCESS WEDS IN LONDON.

REGISTER OFFICE CEREMONY OF BEAUTIFUL ENGLISH WOMAN.

Princess Saïd Halim, an Englishwoman, formerly the wife of Prince Saïd Halim, second cousin of King Fuad of Egypt, was married at Paddington register office to Mr. Roger de Leval, a young barrister, belonging to a noble Belgian family.

Only a few friends were present at the ceremony, at which the bride, a beautiful blonde, wore her travelling suit of brown wool mousseline. The short coat was belted and worn over a brown and white lace wool jumper, and her hat was a small tricorne in brown felt.

The Princess carried a sheaf of pink roses and a diamond brooch, the gift of her father, Colonel Stanley Bird, was pinned to her coat.

One of the guests was the bride's seven-year-old daughter, Princess Forah Halim. She arrived with her grandmother, Mrs. Bingham Bird.

ARMED BOYS ROB U.S. JEWELLERS.

£40,000 DAYLIGHT HAUL.

Three armed boys boldly invaded the New York establishment of Mr. Edward Berger, a diamond merchant, in the centre of the shopping district. They subdued and bound five employees and fled with cut and uncut diamonds valued at \$40,000.

A few minutes after the robbery the police had surrounded the building, in which the defunct bank of the United States had its headquarters, and made a thorough but unsuccessful search for the young bandits. A crowd of several thousand people, attracted by the emergency police wagons, added to the confusion and excitement.

BUS COMPANIES GO BANKRUPT.

'STRONG PERSONS' REFUSE TO PAY FARES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, Jan. 6.

Of the fourteen bus companies in Canton, four have declared bankruptcy and have ceased operating. The remaining ten are said to be in a precarious condition. None of them made any profit last year. On the contrary all sustained financial losses. The four bus companies that have gone into bankruptcy with the advent of New Year are the Kwok Man, the Lee Man, the Fook Lee, and the Lee Hang Bus Company.

In conversation with the manager of one of these companies, the writer learned that there are at least four causes for these bankruptcies.

(1) Too many "strong persons" refused to pay fares. The companies have time and again appealed to the Government to intervene on their behalf, but with little or no result. Most of these "strong persons" are in the employ of some Government department, and persuasion could not force them to pay their fares. When asked, they merely retorted that they belonged to such and such an organ, and that was final.

(2) The recent abrupt rise in the value of gold and the corresponding depreciation of silver has also contributed to the bankruptcy of these companies. All gasoline, oil, spare parts and accessories have to be purchased from abroad in gold dollars, and the fares collected in silver money. It would not have been so bad if the Government had permitted them to raise their fares. The present fares in Canton are the same as those of 5 years ago when the bus service first made its appearance here.

(3) Heavy daily taxes, varying from about \$18 to \$25 a day per bus, have also contributed to the ruin of this form of enterprise. The bus companies have repeatedly appealed to the Government for a reduction, but without result.

(4) The companies were forced to employ a large number of inspectors from the Bureau of Public Utilities and Police Headquarters, pay fines for violating traffic regulations and other unforeseen expenses.

Unless these deplorable conditions are ameliorated, more bus companies in Canton will be forced to suspend business.

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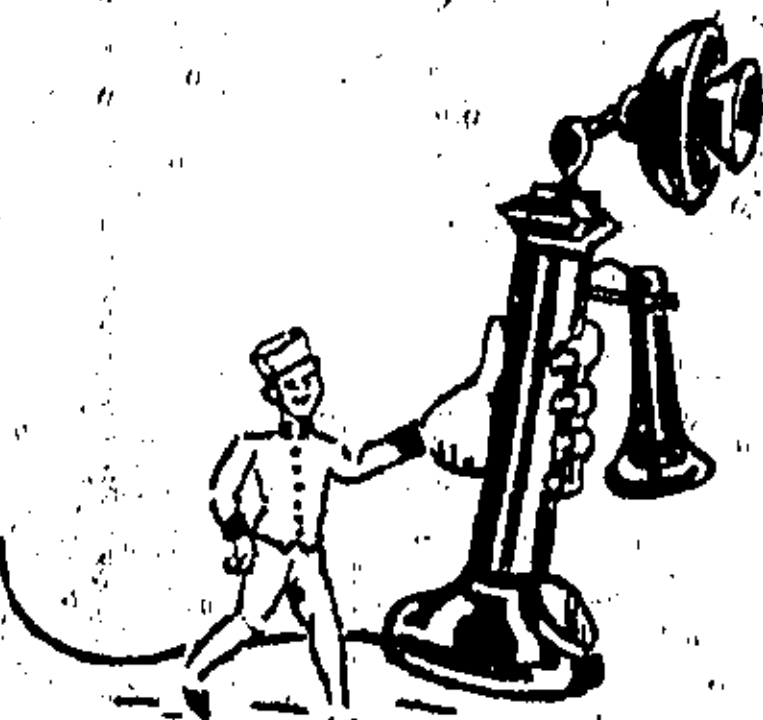
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THE EDUCATION JOURNAL.

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WORK AND IDEALS OF THE UNIVERSITY REVIEWED.

The aim of a University should not be merely teaching and the accumulation of a mass of information. It is rather, as Newman has said, the purpose of a University to bring the student, through the study of the humanities and the vivifying power of his tutors, into contact with the lofty ideals of truth, beauty, and goodness that he may leave it as a cultured man, ready to exert an influence in world affairs in proportion to the intellectual, moral, and spiritual strength he has acquired. Dr. Flexner, a modern American scholar, whose lectures on modern universities, their faults and virtues, have recently been published, adds to Newman's ideal an emphatic demand that a University should also be a place where men suitably equipped by nature and by training should be able to add to the sum of knowledge by wide and unfettered research. Apart from lack of funds, it is perhaps rather early as yet for our University in Hong Kong to achieve the latter purpose, but that staff and students realize and try to fulfil Newman's ideal is evident to those who are following its development.

Edited by Student.

The Education Society recently published its annual Journal under the capable editorship of a fourth year student aided by a Student Committee, and the standard of the contributions, as well as the account of the work done by staff and students, past and present, shows that there is no lack of the wide vision, sound scholarship, and lofty aim which make men of mark in the educational world. The articles cover a variety of subjects, ranging from a record of work done to discussion of subjects so various as Chinese studies, education, script and crafts, topics connected with education in Europe, and a frank and friendly criticism of a great American University.

An Interesting Analysis.

Professor Forster contributes an excellent analysis of Dr. Flexner's indictment of modern Universities, as well as a study of Madame Montessori and her kindergarten system. His third article is the most important to those who are watching anxiously the trend of education in the East and particularly in this Colony. In the course of a discussion of "The New Curriculum in China and the Old Studies," the writer examines the ancient system of memorizing the Chinese classics, analysing with great fairness the evils and the possible benefits of such a method. He then gives an account from personal knowledge of a Chinese school of to-day run on modern lines. There is a feeling, he says, in China that the old learning, though it can never again occupy the proud place it once held, must be preserved, but must take an equal place beside the new, and must be treated in a critical and scientific manner.

Chinese Studies.

The same theme is treated from a different standpoint by Mr. Fenwick who, in his sound and scholarly article on Chinese Studies in the University, deplores equally the old uncritical worship of the Classics and the attitude of present day "Young China" which thinks that Chinese studies are simply not worth while. He pleads for a mental co-ordination of Eastern and Western learning; the Chinese traditional system must be translated into terms of modern thought. The thesis is illustrated by references to Chinese historical study and by some translations of poems from the Book of Odes with the "classical" commentaries thereon. This article is worth careful attention by any

one who wants to understand the most pressing problem facing China to-day.

Other articles dealing with matters Chinese are an erudite and fascinating study of the development of some Chinese characters (with illustrations) by Father Finn, S.J., a brief account of some educational systems of ancient China by Mr. Lam Tung, B.A., and "A Plea for Chinese Arts and Crafts" by Mr. S. Jenyns. Matters of general interest are dealt with by Professor Simpson in his delightfully fresh and vivid account of Florence, its architecture, its art, and the men who made history there; in the extract from the diary of Miss Walton who visited schools in Western Europe and gives a very interesting critical account of the work in progress in modern education, and in a technical study by Mr. G. W. Reeve of "Purpose in the Child."

Mr. France on the Campus!

In lighter vein is an account of an American University (Princeton) by Mr. France, who writes from personal experience, and his report forms a useful corrective to many of the mistaken ideas about University life in the States as seen on the films. The criticisms are particularly interesting in comparison with those of Dr. Flexner. A short article on "Our Present Needs" by Cice pleads for a less materialistic spirit in the University; like Newman the writer sets store on "hidden reserves" of culture, and now that the Boxer Indemnity may relax the financial strain, she would like to see an enlarged library, separate reference libraries for the departments, and a School of Philosophy. And that there may be no divorce between the development of the spirit and that of the body, there should be an extension of the already overcrowded playing-fields. May she soon have all she wants! There is also an amusing Oxford Letter from an old student.

Last, but certainly not least, is the record of the activities of the Education Society during the past year. These include lectures, debates, visits of investigation to schools in Canton and Wuchow, and, best of all, the opening of a free night school for poor Chinese boys. The staff consists of undergraduates who generously give their evenings to this fine undertaking. All the expenses have been born by the Society with the help of the Arts Association, who gave the proceeds of their dramatic evening. It is surely the completion of the ideal of a University that the men of culture gives to others freely and at cost to himself something of those benefits of which they have, through force of circumstances, been deprived. Anyone who takes an interest in this work can give practical help by becoming an Associate Member of the Education Society. We congratulate the Society on this enterprise and wish it every success.

Our Educational Policy.

A study of this journal will be its own reward. The matter is interesting in itself, but of even greater value is the proof it gives of the living and wide culture at which the University aims. To those who think that education is a mere side-issue in the administration of the Colony and that it may safely be left in the hands of a man who has neither theoretical nor practical knowledge of its importance and its working, we would especially recommend meditation on the paragraph on page 41 which concludes by saying: "In educational affairs, as in social and political, the men of vision, those who clearly grasp what has been and can weave it into what might be, are the only persons fitted to be entrusted with the direction of policy."

A word of praise for the editor. Mr. Yuen Chung Yow, must not be forgotten. The appearance and print of the Journal are good and the proof-reading has been unusually thorough.

M.B.B.

NEW DESTROYERS ARRIVE.

TWO MONTHS ON TRIP EAST.

H.M.S. WISHART, WILD SWAN, WHITEHALL AND VERITY.

H.M.S. Verity, Wild Swan, Whitehall and Wishart, the first four ships of the Eighth Destroyer Flotilla—ordered for service on the China Station to replace those at present serving here—arrive in Hong Kong are now lying alongside the West Wall of the Naval Dockyard, having arrived in port on Tuesday after an uneventful voyage out from home.

The leader of the Eighth Destroyer Flotilla is H.M.S. Keppel, due to arrive in the Colony from Singapore to-morrow. In addition to the last-named, three other destroyers are on their way here, namely H.M.S. Wren, Whited and Veteran. A number of these vessels will be paying their second visit to Hong Kong, having been stationed here in 1927 during the troubles of that period.

Two Months' Voyage.

Of the ships forming the new 8th Destroyer Flotilla, H.M.S. Keppel, the leader, is larger and newer than the others. She was launched in 1920 and completed in 1923, and has a tonnage of 1,480. The other ships are of the same class with a tonnage of 1,120, and were launched in 1919 and completed in 1919. The four which have already arrived left Home, on November 6, so they were practically two months on the voyage out, which was made in easy stages.

These ships will relieve the destroyers at present serving on the China Station, comprising H.M. ships Sterling, Seraph, Scaphis, Sirdar, Somme, Stormcloud, Sepoy, and Thracian, which are due to sail for Home on January 23.

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THE TAPESTRIES OF HAMPTON COURT.

WORK OF RESTORATION TO BE SUSPENDED.

London, Dec. 31.—Some of the nation's priceless art treasures may be imperilled by a departmental order issued to-day to cease the repair and restoration of the famous tapestries at Hampton Court Palace in the interests of economy.

This work has gone on for twenty years and in four years more would have been completed and the tapestries safe-guarded. Until the present work of restoration was begun the tapestries had remained untouched in some cases since their manufacture early in the 16th century.

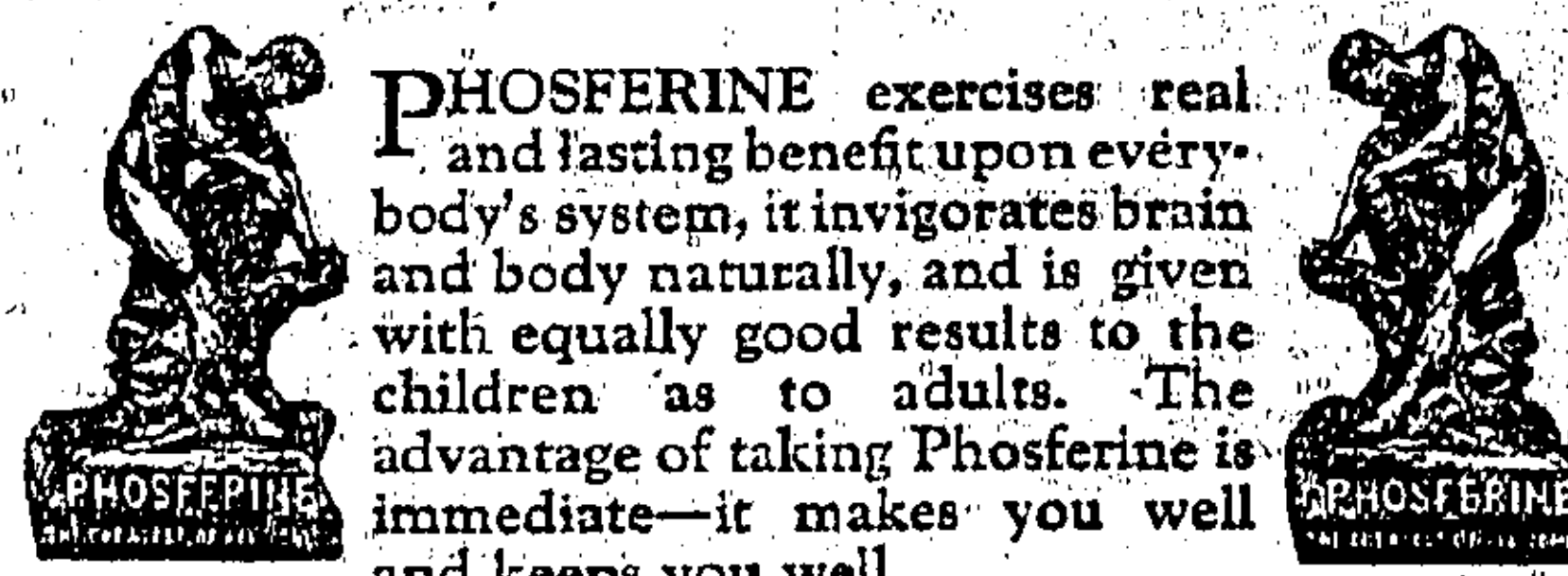
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KING'S THEATRE COMING SOON!

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SEQUEL TO PEAK FIRE.

WHAT IS A "PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT?"

INTERESTING CASE BEFORE THE COURT.

An interesting point involving the definition of the term "public entertainment" was brought up in a series of summonses brought against the Pathe Orient Co., Ltd., before Mr. Schofield at Central Police Court yesterday arising out of the fire which occurred recently at the residence of Mr. A. G. Langston of 287, The Peak, where a party of children were being entertained by a cinematograph performance.

Seven summonses were taken out by Mr. Fitzhenry, of the Fire Brigade, against Mr. J. Landolt, manager of the Pathe Orient Co., Ltd., who were accused of (1) not having a distributor's permit, (2) storing 200 reels of film in a place other than a certified strong room, (3) failing to notify in writing to the Inspector General of Police the names, descriptions and addresses of the persons making application to hold a cinematograph display and the character of the entertainment for which such premises were proposed to be used and locality of such premises and the general nature of the proposed building, (4) failing to abstain from any act tending to cause fire, (5) failing to have boxes of fire-resisting material for the projection apparatus, (6) keeping eight reels of film in a place other than a certified room and (7) failing to keep readily available for use sufficient means of dealing with fire.

Solicitor's Submissions.

Appearing for the defendant Company Mr. H. L. Denny submitted that the last five summonses must fail. He said they had been brought under the Ordinance to consolidate and amend the law relating to places of public entertainment. Under that Ordinance, "public entertainment" meant "any entertainment, to which the general public are admitted with or without payment for admission."

Mr. Denny said that Mr. Langston, of the Hong Kong Electric Company, gave a small entertainment at his own house at 287, The Peak on December 23. He went to the Pathe Orient and hired a machine from them to give the display in his own house. He also asked for an operator who was sent up. "I submit," said Mr. Denny, "that an Englishman's house is his castle and not a place of public entertainment."

Mr. Landolt, proceeded Mr. Denny, had never been to the house and in fact was at tiffin at the time. He had no knowledge of the mishap, and could not be held responsible.

Members of the Public?

Mr. Fitzhenry said that the Interpretation Ordinance definitely classed a cinematograph performance as an entertainment and, therefore, places where a cinematograph show was held, came within the Regulations.

His Worship observed that "public entertainment" was defined as an entertainment to which the general public were admitted with or without payment for admission.

Mr. Fitzhenry—Would those present not be a section of the public? They are members of the general public.

Mr. Denny argued that if Mr. Fitzhenry were correct, if anybody had a Baby Pathe camera and took movies which were shown in his own house, to his family, he would have to take out a licence. It was a common thing in the Colony for amateurs to take their own moving pictures.

I.G.P.'s Evidence.

The Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe said it would appear that there were members of the public present at the performance, not merely members of the family. In the present case, the entertainment was one to which members of the general public were admitted free. He took it that they went by invitation, but they were still members of the general public.

Mr. Wolfe said he presumed those at the party were all friends of

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SWATOW STUDENTS "DOWN BOOKS"

STUBBORN FIGHT WITH AUTHORITIES

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Swatow, January 3.

Last Monday all the local students, at the instigation of their Association, took a day off and held a parade, marching through the principal thoroughfares of the city. This leads one to the conclusion that neither their respective professors nor the Government could restrain them. The students declared they were acting in a patriotic spirit and were at perfect liberty to do as they liked!

After the usual gathering the students called at the Mayor's office with the object of interviewing Mr. Ma who has come from Canton to investigate the cause or causes of the recent disturbances. However, not finding him there they proceeded to his hotel. Mr. Ma was not once given Government protection.

Mr. Ma Argues.

Later on a conference was arranged in the Municipal Building and heated discussions followed between Mr. Ma and the student representatives, who continued to reiterate their previous request that the primary schools should be allowed to participate in political movements, a thing to which the Government are strongly opposed.

The argument went on for hours and, not being able to come to an agreement of any kind there and then, Mr. Ma, in order to appease the students said he would telegraph for fresh instructions from Canton. He promised to confer with them again after three days.

What of the Examinations?

After this time limit had expired the Government was still obdurate. Their request having been definitely and finally turned down, the students then decided to "down books." The strike still continues and this should play an important part in the future of the students and on China's political problems generally. The strike is significant because the winter term is drawing near and the present events may interrupt or postpone or cancel altogether the graduation examinations due to take place in two weeks' time.

During the period pending a reply from Canton Mr. Ma has been continually shifting his abode from place to place, presumably to evade the students.

Word has been received that the students of the schools in Chaochow are also on strike. They also sent down representatives a few days ago to join in a sympathetic parade.

Mr. Langston. There were amahs and various other persons present. They were definitely members of the general public, admitted free.

His Worship: There were no other members of the general public except amahs present?

Mr. Wolfe: There were 27 children, six adults and a number of amahs, also two wiremen of the Hong Kong Electric Company. I may say that the two wiremen were apparently there in connexion with the Christmas tree. They were members of the public, and were not invited.

Mr. Denny remarked that as it was the house of the manager of the Hong Kong Electric Company, it would not be unusual for two of the Company's wiremen to be there.

Mr. Wolfe: It is not the manager's house. The manager's house is just below mine on Mount Kellett.

Decision Held Over.

His Worship: It is rather an important point whether the performance in this building did or did not constitute a public entertainment within the meaning of the Ordinance. I should prefer to hold the point over for consideration.

Referring to the remaining two summonses against the Company, Mr. Denny said Messrs. Pathe Orient Co., under one name or another, had been established in Hong Kong for over 25 years and was one of the best known firms of film distributors. In 1923 they moved into their present premises from Queen's Road and built a strong room which must have been passed by the Building Authority. It had iron doors, corrugated iron walls and no-one lived on the top floor. The police visited the premises and were shown the strong room marked "No smoking" and "No admittance." No work was done on the premises. In the strong room, the police found 200 reels of film.

His Worship adjourned all summonses until next week for the defence to produce, if possible, a certificate issued in connexion with the strong room.

JARDINE'S TAIWAN SUMMONED.

DEFENDING SOLICITOR'S PIQUANT ALLEGATIONS.

SUMMONS DISMISSED: MAGISTRATE'S COMMENT.

The Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, as owner of 117, Plunketts Road (No. 10 The Peak), was yesterday summoned for knowingly permitting premises situated within the grounds under his control to be used for the storage of food intended for sale.

The case was taken before Mr. W. Schofield, Mr. R. A. Wadeson of Messrs. Duncans appearing for Mr. Paterson.

In outlining the case for the prosecution, Sanitary Inspector A. G. Martin stated that he thought the business had been going on surreptitiously for about two or three years and that whenever it was discovered those responsible would close down and start again. On July 8, 1931, he visited the place and noted that the business had started again. Spread on the grounds of an out-house were eggs, vegetables, chickens and ducks and a number of people were waiting to take delivery. Mr. Paterson was informed by the Sanitary Board by letter of "what was going on and there had been correspondence on the matter, which the Sanitary Inspector was prepared to produce in Court."

Difficult to Approach.

On December 9, he again visited the place and in a garage in the same out-house, there were four persons who were waiting to take delivery of vegetables, eggs, fish and chicken. The result of that discovery was the summons. Sanitary Inspector Martin went on to say that the people concerned in this sale had caused quite a lot of trouble. The house was on the top of a hill and it was an extremely difficult matter for him to approach unobserved. On one occasion he followed a small boy into the ground, but no sooner had he entered than he heard a good deal of shouting and finally the small boy made his way out of the ground again after walking round the premises. He thought this meeting on the ground was pre-arranged and the men who met there did not do so by chance.

Mr. Wadeson: I don't know what the Sanitary Inspector's opening statement refers to, but I would like to say at once that if that is his case, I have no case to answer because he has referred to matters which happened in July. How that can be evidence to a charge in December, I don't know.

His Worship: He has also referred to December 9.

Food Spread Out.

Sanitary Inspector Martin then gave evidence of his visit to the out-house on December 9. He saw two servants of the Aberdeen Fish Store there and observed, spread out on a brown paper on the ground, a quantity of food. There were four other servants present. The food consisted of fish, meat, chicken, eggs, and vegetables. He questioned the men, but the latter would give no information at all. The four men had in their possession what appeared to be pass books. Witnesses said he was prepared to produce letters written between Mr. Paterson and the Sanitary Department on a former complaint.

Mr. Wadeson: These letters written in July cannot be evidence of what took place in December.

Mr. Schofield (to witness): What quantity of food was there?

Witness: Four or five pounds of meat, two or three dozen eggs, four or five pounds of potatoes and half a dozen soles. There was also a quantity of enbages and a couple of chickens.

His Worship: The whole of that food might be carried up by one man?—Yes.

But the charge is one of "storage of food intended for sale?—Yes, the food is left there for distribution between parties who call for the food.

Mr. Wadeson: This is a partial statement is not evidence. If the Inspector would confine himself to facts we would get on much quicker.

His Worship (to witness): Did you see any food being brought into the premises on December 9?—No.

By Whose Orders?

When did you last visit these premises before December 9?—I could not tell you. I visit them about once a week or ten days.

On your previous visit, did you find any food in this manner?—No, there was no one in the out-house except chair coolies.

Witness explained that in the morning he could only visit the Peak on Wednesdays.

Mr. Wadeson (cross-examining): Who decides what duties you should do?—It is left to my own decision.

So there is nothing to stop you from going to the Peak at any time in the day?—I have to do house-visiting every morning up to 11 a.m. except on Wednesdays.

Who says so?—The Head of the Sanitary Department.

Who is the head of the Sanitary Department?—Mr. Sayer.

In fact it is Mr. Sayer who orders you to go to these different places at different times?—Yes.

On this occasion, did you take any steps to find out if Mr. Paterson was then living in this house?—No.

So you don't know whether he was or not?—I would not say he was actually there at the time.

You made no inquiries?—No. You did not even inquire at his office?—No.

And so far as these men who were dividing the foodstuff are concerned, you have not their own statement that they were from the Aberdeen Fish Store?—Yes.

You have no knowledge of your own as to where they came from?—No, but I have their statement.

That is not evidence. You have never seen any of the other four men before?—No.

Former Correspondence.

You spoke of certain correspondence in July?—Yes.

Between July, when presumably something happened, and December, have you ever found any food on the premises at all?—No.

You visited them once a week at least?—Approximately once a week.

So that between whatever happened in July and what happened on December 9, it had evidently stopped?—Apparently so.

You are a Sanitary Inspector and can look at this place and so far as you can say it has stopped?—Yes.

You made no inquiries as to whether Mr. Paterson knew anything about this matter?—No, I reported to my senior Inspector, Mr. Lookhart.

What did he do?—He forwarded it to the Medical Officer of Health. Do you know what the Medical Officer of Health did?—He forwarded it to Mr. Sayer.

What did Mr. Sayer do?—He ordered me to make an application for the summons.

So that really this matter emanates from Mr. Sayer?—Decidedly not.

His Worship: The point is, Mr. Sayer is an executive officer.

Mr. Wadeson: I understand that, but I am going to submit later that there is more in this than that.

Answering further questions, witness said that on December 9, the food was spread on the floor of the garage.

His Worship, at the close of witness evidence, said he did not see where the "storage of food" came in. There was evidence that between July and December there was never any food found on the premises so that it did not seem to be a very continuous business so far as the evidence went.

No Case to Answer.

Mr. Wadeson: I submit there is no case to answer. The prosecution must prove affirmatively that Mr. Paterson knew of this offence on December 9. The only evidence before you is that he might have known that something nebulous had happened in July and that he then stopped it and stopped it very effectively. The prosecution must also prove that Mr. Paterson, knowing that it was going on, permitted it to go on. The evidence so far directly negatives such a suggestion. We have evidence that this food was spread out on the floor of the garage, which was empty.

(Continued on next Column.)

HONG KONG STOCK MARKET.

YESTERDAY'S OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

The session yesterday morning opened quietly steadily with rates generally unaltered.

Sales.

Banks, \$1,475.
Realty, \$12.15.
Hong Kong Lands, \$82.

Buyers.

Wharves, \$153.
Hotels (old), \$15.
Trams, \$22.30.
Singapore Traction, 3/4.
Hong Kong Ropes, \$18.
Powells, \$31.
Providents (old), \$54.
Providents (new), \$2.35.
Chinese Estates, \$05.
Cements (old), \$123.
Dairy Farms, \$29.
Constructions (new), \$1.30.

Sellers.

China Underwriters, \$4.00.
Raubs, \$30.
Entertainments (old), \$18.
Indo-Chinas (Pref.), \$45.
Indo-Chinas (Def.), \$32.

"SHELL" MOTOR SPIRIT.

LATEST PRICES FROM A.P.C.

The Asiatic Petroleum Co. (South China), Ltd., announce that as from yesterday the retail price for Shell Motor Spirit will be as follows:—

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Per unit in returnable drums 10.40
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If Mr. Paterson were here he would tell you that he was living at the time of this occurrence at Sheungshui.

Mr. Wadeson went on to say that Mr. Paterson's No. 1 boy, who was now dead, had been carrying on the business but it was effectively stopped. Then again, on December 9, when the Sanitary Inspector went up there he found it happening in Mr. Paterson's absence.

"How on earth Mr. Sayer can issue a summons against Mr. Paterson for having permitted the storage of food in his house I cannot understand," said Mr. Wadeson. "He was either grossly misinformed or just looked at things and issued the summons."

Sanitary Board Criticised.

"I understand, on my instructions, that what is really at the bottom of this is the fact that Mr. Paterson, when he was sitting on the Retrenchment Commission, made some very stringent criticism of how the Sanitary Department was being carried on and had mentioned the lack of cohesion between that department and the police," said Mr. Wadeson.

Mr. Wadeson went on to say that in July, when the former incident was complained of, the Police were called in to try and apprehend these responsible and Chief Detective Inspector Reynolds could give evidence of that. Due to want of co-operation in the Sanitary Department, the attempt failed.

Mr. Wadeson concluded by saying that on the flimsy evidence before the Court, he submitted that Mr. Paterson had no case to answer.

His Worship: I quite agree with you. When I read the summons, I thought the place was used as a sort of permanent store.

Mr. Wadeson: After a man had done his best, it rangles you when you read that you are charged with keeping a permanent store for rice and vegetables.

His Worship: Summons dismissed.

Store Manager Warned.

There was another summons in connection with this case, the manager of the Aberdeen Fish Store being summoned for exposing his goods for sale at the address. The man explained that he was making some deliveries at Mr. Paterson's house and his coolies had to take out a parcel of rice from the bottom of a basket and consequently some of the food had to be spread on the floor of the out-house.

His Worship discharged this man also, but warned him to notify his folks that if they had stuff to deliver at the Peak, they must go to each house and not make a distributing centre of any particular address.



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Form of tender and further particulars can be obtained from the office of the Director of Public Works.

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HAROLD T. CREASY,
Director of Public Works.
31st December, 1931. (1560)

PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS
of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 11th DAY of JANUARY, 1932, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency THE GOVERNOR, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Ma Tan Kok, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of the Market, run King, for one further term of 75 years.

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SEVENS HOOD.—The engagement is announced of Miss MARGARET BRYAN (Peggy) HOOD, second daughter of Major and Mrs. J. W. Hood of the Shanghai Municipal galle, to Mr. W. R. M. STEVENS, son of Mrs. A. Stevens and the late Mr. A. Stevens of London.

MARRIAGE.

GOODWIN-McLEAN.—On November 27, 1931, at St. Leonards-on-Sea, Sussex, Dr. T. S. GOODWIN, M.A., M.B. (of C.M.S. Hospital, Hongkong) to SARAH, only daughter of the Rev. W. and Mrs. McLean, of St. John's Vicarage, Hellington.

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"ARMS AND THE MAN."

The Government of the Colony has made a wise innovation in fixing a charge of ten dollars for a licence to carry firearms. The strictest care has in the past been exercised in the granting of such licences, but when the police had decided that an applicant was a fit and proper person to be allowed lethal weapons the necessary permit was issued free of charge. A careful record was kept of all the persons so licensed and of the arms which they possessed. Dealers in firearms are also under close supervision, having to record, after the manner of purveyors of wines and spirits, the stock received, and full particulars of all sales effected. To be in possession of firearms in the Colony without obtaining the proper licence is a major offence for which sentence of a birching and up to ten years' imprisonment can be imposed by a court consisting of two magistrates. If any of our readers, therefore, have firearms—even an old and broken pistol—for which they have not renewed the proper licences for the current year, as required by the police, they will be well advised to repair the omission. It is a much more serious matter than forgetting to take out a similar document on behalf of a car or a dog.

Last year about 2,300 local citizens were permitted to own firearms. Many more would have liked such a privilege, but every application is thoroughly gone into, and refused unless very good reasons can be given. Many of the firearms in question are, of course, sporting guns, to which no objection can be taken, except by advanced

humanitarians. Some of the short arms are issued to ship's officers and private guards for obvious reasons. But for the ordinary population the lower pistols the better. Quite a number of persons who were given an arms licence years ago, when, perhaps they were living in a lonely place or expecting to go up-country have kept a revolver in a drawer or a trunk, more or less forgotten, except for the renewal ceremony at the beginning of each year. Many of these weapons are now being surrendered to the police, and this is the best thing to do with them. The impost was, in fact, probably levied to get this result, rather than for the small amount of revenue collected. It is known that houseboys—who, of course, know all about every accessible possession in the houses where they are employed—get hold of these neglected ornaments and loan them out for eventual hiring in undesirable quarters.

This habit of keeping a pistol—partly a relic of boyhood instincts—will receive a useful check thanks to the imposition of the tax. It is not everyone who will pay ten dollars and go to a certain amount of trouble once a year, in order to gratify a whim. It is doubtful whether we shall see a decrease in local crimes of violence, but in these days of the glorification of the American gunman it is just as well to be on the safe side. One of the signs of the advance of civilisation is the disarming of the civilian population. In England, as in Hong Kong, one has to show good cause why one should be issued with a revolver licence, and the restrictions imposed after the War had a salutary effect in reducing not only crime but accidents and suicides. A revolver is a dangerous toy, and a sinister thing in the hand of a neurotic person. It makes death easy and certain. Nothing will save a determined suicide, but many lives have been lost owing to the horrid fascination of the weapon invented a century ago by a worthy citizen of Hartford (Connecticut) named SAMUEL COLE, and since perfected by many enterprising and ingenious persons. No doubt SAMUEL COLE's native town suitably honours his memory in sculpture and architecture, and perhaps it benefits by a bequest from his estate. But the police the world over, and nowhere more than in his own country, are now hard at work taking the fruit of his perverted ingenuity out of the hands of ill-balanced adults, and persuading respectable citizens that they are much better without such a thing as a gun in the house.

CAPE AIR MAIL.

It has now been definitely decided to open the air mail service between London and Capetown, South Africa, on Wednesday, the twentieth of January. The first outward air mail will leave on that date, and eleven days later the mails, carried on the way in five different types of aeroplanes, will be delivered in Capetown. The first homeward mail is scheduled to depart from Capetown the 28th of January and to reach London on the 6th of February. Thenceforward the mails and, after a trial period, passengers as well, will be transported once each week in either direction. The African service at present ends on the Great Lakes.

The total distance to be flown through Africa is about 5,750 miles, and while most daily stages will be over 600 miles long, three of them will represent 925 miles each. When more experience has been gained, the eight days of the present African schedule will be brought within nine days of Capetown, as compared with seventeen by sea. The aircraft upon which the service will depend range from the new forty-seater biplanes to the fourteen-seater Hercules machines which have been in use on the Eastern section of the Imperial Airways routes for the past four years or so. The Hercules machines have worked well in tropical temperatures. They have also been tried out at the high altitudes at which some of the aerodromes in Central Africa are situated. But towards the end of next summer they will give way to the new Armstrong Siddeley monoplane, which will be faster and which have been designed specially for operation under African conditions.

★ News and Views ★

Tale of the Day.

Maid: "There's no coal left in the cellar, mum."
Mistress: "Why didn't you tell me before?"
Maid: "Because there was some, mum."

"Movements."

"It's quite simple to understand the E," said a London financier recently, when questioned—pausing in the act of creating a bull-market in Czechoslovakian Smoked-Fish A.G. Extraordinary Deferred Debentures ("Eshika") to their intimates. "I cannot understand your difficulty. Sterling is all a question of movements and feelings."

"With bad feeling in New York and better feeling in Berlin, the movements of sterling from (and to) Paris create a bull-feeling in Buenos Aires and bear feeling at The Hague. This naturally starts mixed feelings in London and marginal movements towards the strange feelings in Copenhagen. After that it is perfectly easy to forecast the feelings and movements anywhere, unless, of course, there is a tightness in contagion at San Francisco, when, as anyone will tell you, you must expect a certain easiness in sterling on Montreal. You have to allow for that, of course, but even a half-commission man can work that out. If there is anything else you are not clear about, don't hesitate to drop in for a chat any time you're passing."

Thames Row of 104 Miles.

An Eight from St. John's College, Oxford, arrived at Putney after rowing 104 miles from Oxford in three days.

At Kingston, where the oarsmen lunched, Mr. V. F. C. Snee, captain of the College Club, said to a reporter: "We left Oxford at nine o'clock on Saturday morning, and, after fair weather, followed by winds and rain, finished the first day at Reading—29 miles. From Reading we rowed just over 38 miles to Staines on Sunday, and to-day, starting at nine o'clock, arrived at Kingston at 11.30. Most of the time the weather was good. This is the first trip of the kind ever made."

Unfounded.

"I am able to reveal exclusively that there is no truth in the rumours current to-day that the Cunard Company contemplates dis-guising itself as a German Loan, a Soviet industry, an Armenian farmer, or even a Palestinian orange-grower in order to receive the unsolicited and enthusiastic support of the City and the British Government," writes a London diarist.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Revenue Officer Harold Victor Pearce, 75, Morrison Hill Road, to Miss Elizabeth Nece Thomas, No. 120, Whitfield.

A sentence of 12 months' imprisonment was passed on a Chinese at Kowloon Magistrate on Tuesday when he was found guilty of enticing away two small boys from their parents on December 19, 1931.

The only case of diphtheria notified yesterday was that of a Chinese (imported). The epidemic therefore is following the course confidently predicted by the authorities, and should soon be a thing of the past.

Pleading guilty to the charge of failing to stop when called upon to do so by the police in the harbour about 9.14 p.m. on December 29, the coxswain of the motor boat Tai Lee was fined \$10 with the alternative of one week's hard labour by the Marine Magistrate yesterday.

The trial of two Chinese at the Criminal Sessions on a charge of robbery at Kowloon City was continued yesterday when evidence for the defence was continued and a further adjournment had to be made until this morning. This trial has now been proceeding for eight days.

The Committee of St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong expect a large attendance at the first annual general meeting of the Society, to be held in Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden to-morrow, at 5.15 p.m. The annual report, which has been in the hands of members for some days, has been received with considerable pleasure.

Before Mr. W. Schofield yesterday six Chinese were charged with conspiracy in connection with an alleged "long-firm" fraud. After Detective Sergeant Meadows had given a brief outline of the case, bail was granted. Two of the men, Ho Kwok and Tai Wai Kung, were represented by Mr. M. A. de Silva and Mr. D. B. Evans, respectively.

"Though such helpful suggestions have been put forward by those with an intimate knowledge of financial and political circles, it is felt, I understand, that they are impracticable as the all-British nature of the company is too well known."

The "Anchorites."

In these times of worry and anxiety, when most men wear a very subdued aspect, it is satisfactory to know that the "Anchorites," at least, can still cast gloom aside when they meet for their monthly dinner in Soho. Anchorites, it should be explained, are not a company of lonely cell-dwellers, but, on the contrary, a band of seamen whose lives have been devoted to the sea in some form or another, and the majority of whom are still actively engaged in seafaring employment.

Roaring Sea Shanties.

At these dinners sailing ship captains with white hair roar shanties with those whose lives are wrapped up with motor-ships. Admirals, shipowners, Naval Correspondents, Merchant Service officers, R.N.R., R.N.V.R., and R.N. recent old days, fight old battles, and indulge in maritime controversy which is as candid as it is friendly. The "guest of the evening" is always some seafaring notability, and may be a Lord of the Admiralty, a Merchant Service Commodore, or, as at the last dinner, a great sea writer in the person of Colonel Drury. Old sea customs are preserved throughout, and speeches are restricted, for the most part, to strange and unusual experiences which the speakers have enjoyed, or suffered.

Women's High Heels.

The Duke of York, in a message read at a "Safety First" conference, emphasised the part women can play in preventing accidents in the home.

Lieut.-Colonel J. A. A. Pickard, general secretary of the association said it was a curious thing that many more women were killed by falling downstairs than men.

This was not so much due to in-sobriety as to high heels. Figures showed also that only half as many women as men were killed accidentally, added Lieut.-Colonel Pickard.

Surprise for a Singer.

There was an unusual incident during the daily rehearsal in London of the new Cochran show, "Eileen".

Desire Ellinger, as the boy Orpheus, has to sing a beautiful solo, and when she began singing

it for the first time at the rehearsal there came a sudden hush.

Theatre workers stopped their busy bustle, other members of the company suspended their consultations, and there was not a movement until Miss Ellinger finished the song.

Then, to her surprise, everybody in the theatre joined in a round of applause.

It is Dangerous to Forget Either!

A man, who, at Southwark County Court applied for the remission of a fine for failing to serve on a jury, offered as an excuse that his wife mistook the summons for an income-tax demand. She promptly put it on a shelf and completely forgot its existence.

Judge Moore.—Don't forget, in come-tax papers in these days. They must be promptly attended to.
He remitted the fine of 20s.

Morale.

"In 1918, when things were looking very black in France—I won't say we were downhearted, but we were apprehensive—a flight of German aeroplanes came right over us. Presently one little British plane appeared in the distance and attacked one of them. We could see the flash of the bullets passing between them. One of the bullets from our little plane struck the petrol tank of the German machine, which burst into flames and fell to the ground. I heard one of the men near by say, 'Well, perhaps we will win the war after all.' That one boy had been able to influence probably 100,000 men, who had been watching the fight along the whole front."

This story was told to pupils of King Edward VI. Grammar School, Totnes, at the annual prizegiving, by Field Marshal Sir William Birdwood, who is a freeman of the town.

Church and Birth Control.

Canon Lyttelton, in an address at St. Stephen's, Walbrook, referred to the Church's attitude towards birth control. "Now that the matter has become better and better understood," he said, "it is extremely probable, I should say, that at the next Lambeth Conference they will reverse the vote and give something very much more in accordance with the mind of Christ."

Sentence of one month's hard labour was passed on William Wishart, a seaman on the s.s. Peutyn, by the Kowloon Magistrate when he was charged with inflicting grievous bodily harm on another seaman, William Davidson, on the morning of January 1, with a razor.

Mr. T. S. White Smith, who appeared for the prosecution, pressed for a conviction, saying that Davidson sustained very serious injuries and there was no evidence to show that Wishart did not know what he was doing at the time. The two men had a quarrel after which the defendant went back to his bunk, got the razor and then assaulted Davidson.

The defendant said he had been on the vessel for about six months. As regards the incident, he remembered having gone ashore with the complainant on New Year's Eve when they had some drinks. They also brought some liquor with them when they returned to the ship just before midnight. He only vaguely recollected having had a quarrel with Davidson.

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The Chinese Government has fixed January 14 as the day on which (Continued at foot of next column.)

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★ Local Notes and Events ★

From the Files.

Looking Back 50 Years.

The passengers by the P. and O. steamer Peshawar for England yesterday included Colonel L. F. Hall, R.A. During the gallant officer's service here—he took command of the Royal Artillery in March, 1878—he has made many friends, and a number went off to the steamer yesterday afternoon to bid him farewell. Colonel Hall has twice acted as Commanding Officer of the Colony during the absence of the General, and now goes home on promotion. He has taken a keen interest in all sports, being for some time President of the Choral Society. He is succeeded in command of the Artillery by Lieut.-General G. A. Crawford, who has just arrived from Bombay.—Hong Kong Daily Press, January 7, 1932.

Looking Back 25 Years.

The competition for the Sander's Cup among the Volunteer half companies takes place on Saturday.

One European case of diphtheria is the only instance of communicable disease recorded in the Colony for last week.

Residents in the Colony will doubtless welcome the news that by the month of April the Tytam-Tuk scheme for an additional water supply will be completed; and that the water should be turned on that month.

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**SIR JOHN SIMON ON
WORLD PROBLEMS****BRITAIN EAGER TO FIND
SOLUTIONS****Manchuria Crisis: Fear of
Complications****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

LONDON, Jan. 6.
Sir John Simon, speaking at a luncheon of foreign journalists said that most difficult and anxious questions affecting Asia and Europe may arise at the next Council of the League of Nations regarding Manchuria, and expressed heartfelt hope that abroad, as well as at home, a warm welcome would be given to Lord Lytton and the British representatives on the Commission of Enquiry. We have secured the services of a most distinguished man who knows at first hand a good deal of the problems in that part of the world.

Reparations.

Sir John Simon also referred to the forthcoming conference on disarmament, at which sixty States may be represented, and reparations. The British Government would be greatly relieved if the reparations meeting was held earlier rather than later, in view of the Parliamentary Session which would prevent the attendance of Ministers affected. Certainly, if the Premier is attending the Conference must begin about Feb. 15.

Britain's Fiscal Policy.

Sir John emphasised the desire of Britain to contribute to her utmost for a solution of world problems, and finally, he emphasised that the most stringent action must be taken by the Government to maintain its currency and a correct balance of trade. This was an emergency action, he declared, and Britain's permanent fiscal policy was a matter for future consideration.

**BRITISH ABNORMAL
IMPORT DUTIES****ADVERSE EFFECT ON
GERMAN EXPORTS****(Reuter's Special Service.)**

LONDON, Jan. 6.
As a result of the new British duties against abnormal imports, it is announced that an important German firm is negotiating for manufacturing, in Britain, steel furniture such as it previously exported to this country.

**REPARATIONS
CONFERENCE****FRANCE DESIRES
POSTPONEMENT****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

PARIS, Jan. 5.
It is learned that France desires a postponement of the Lausanne Reparations Conference, if possible, to February 25, but is provisionally willing to agree to extend the German moratorium until July 1, 1934.

The extension of the moratorium would not, however, apply on its present basis, France makes the offer provided Germany continues the payment of the unconditional annuities.

This is the tenor of an important statement by M. Flandin to Herr Hoesch to-day, pleading the pressure of Parliamentary business as the reason for the desire to postpone the conference.

As regards the unconditional annuities, it is understood that M. Flandin pointed out that Germany would be able to recover the sums thus paid through loans on the security of the State Railways.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

It was announced to-day that Colonel Sir Maurice Hankey, the British Cabinet's Secretary, will probably act as Secretary-General at the Conference, the post he occupied at the earlier international conferences of a similar kind in London, the Hague and elsewhere.

The Government's concerned have informally welcomed his appointment which, it is expected, the Conference will confirm at its first sitting.

Sir Maurice Hankey is at present in Switzerland, in contact with the Swiss Government regarding the preparations for the conference.

In British official circles to-day there was no indication of any likelihood of a postponement of the conference.

**CONGRESS LEADERS
ARRESTED****NO SERIOUS TROUBLE
ANTICIPATED****[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]**

RUGBY, Jan. 6.
An extensive round-up of Congress leaders is taking place at Bombay to-day. Among those taken into custody were Vithalbhai Patel, brother of the Congress President who had already been arrested. Nariman, head of the Bombay Congress Committee and Nagindas, one of chief organisers of the civil disobedience campaign. No serious trouble was encountered by the police.

In Benares yesterday, however, there was a clash between the police and a crowd when the former having been pelted with stones fired a few rounds, one of the rioter being killed.

The Daily News states: "Reports from all parts of India, and particularly the north, show that efforts to organise a hartal and other demonstrations against Government action have fallen flat, as the last boycott movement so nearly emptied the peoples' pockets that they are in no mood to tolerate it again."

Further emergency Ordinances which were issued yesterday give special powers to the Magistracy for coping with the civil disobedience movement. Broadly speaking the ordinances now in force had been drafted in the light of earlier experience of Congress tactics and are designed to counter these promptly and with minimum disturbances.

The Manchester Guardian, in a survey of these measures, says that while the area affected by the emergency powers may be extended as required, the Government will naturally be anxious to avoid, as far as possible, putting measures into force that would interfere with the normal movements of the population.

V. J. Patel Detained.**[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

BOMBAY, Jan. 6.
The rounding up of the leaders of the Indian National Congress started this morning at 4.30 a.m. The police have been moving swiftly from place to place in the city making arrests under the special Ordinances promulgated by the Government of India.

Among the earliest captures was Mr. V. J. Patel, the ex-President of the Legislative Assembly, and a brother of Mr. Vallabhai Patel, the imprisoned President of Congress.

**PREMIER RETURNS
TO LONDON****OTHER MINISTERS
RESUMING DUTY****[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]**

RUGBY, Jan. 6.
The Prime Minister is leaving for London to-day, after three weeks at Lonsmouth, Scotland. He has greatly benefited from the change, although he maintained constant touch with affairs during his holiday.

Other ministers are also returning to departmental duties, and Cabinet committees are resuming work prior to the full meeting of Cabinet next week.

Mr. Lloyd George, who has been on a voyage to Ceylon, reached England on Friday and is expected to resume his attendance in the Commons on his reassembly.

**LABOUR LEADERS
INDISPOSED****MR. GRAHAM AND DR.
MARION PHILLIPS.****(Reuter's Special Service.)**

LONDON, Jan. 6.
The condition of Mr. William Graham, President of the Board of Trade, in the last Labour Government, and one of the most brilliant of the Labour leaders, is giving rise to considerable anxiety.

He has been ill with pneumonia for some days and it is now stated that the infection has spread and developed into double pneumonia.

Dr. Marion Phillips, ex-Labour M.P. for Sunderland, the chief woman organiser of the Labour Party, is also critically ill, following an operation.

**BRITISH SECURITIES
IMPROVE****[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]**

RUGBY, Jan. 6.
When the Stock Exchange opened this morning the principal feature was a further substantial improvement in leading high-class investment securities following yesterday's interest payments on Consols of two and a half per cent, totalling £2,500,000. The fund-losing loan in particular rose a half, to 85; War Loan, 5 per cent, advanced 3/8 to 96 1/2, while several others improved an eighth.

**STRIKERS CLASH
WITH CIVIL GUARDS****FIFTEEN KILLED IN FIVE
DAYS****(Reuter's Special Service.)**

MADRID, Jan. 6.
Two people were killed and twelve injured near Saragossa, when strikers came into conflict with Civil Guards, making a total of fifteen dead in five days.

**GERMAN COMMUNIST
PUTSCH****COMPLETELY PETERED OUT.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

COLOGNE, Jan. 5.
The attempted Communist putsch in the Ruhr has petered out and from almost every centre originally affected quite is reported.

The failure of the movement was manifest from the moment it started two days ago, and it represents a complete victory for the Trade Unions as the main body of organised workmen has supported the Trade Union leaders in opposition to Communism.

Many of the workmen who participated in the attempt have lost their jobs and hundreds have been arrested.

**AGITATORS PELTED WITH
FLOUR****NOT WANTED BY LONDON
DOCKERS****(Reuter's Special Service.)**

LONDON, Jan. 5.
Three men, believed to be Communists, who tried to persuade a crowd of dockers to strike in sympathy with the Thames lightermen, were booed and hissed to-day.

When the agitators persisted in an attempt to hold a meeting, the dockers drew bags of flour and ochre from their pockets, and pelted the speakers who had to be rescued by the Police.

**EMANCIPATION OF
IRAQ****LEAGUE COMMISSION
REPORT****[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]**

RUGBY, Jan. 5.
The League of Nations Secretariat published to-day the report of the Permanent Commission on Mandates concerning the British proposal to proceed with emancipation of Iraq.

After reviewing the action of the British Government and the guarantees given by the Government to assure the army of Iraq into the League, the Report sets out in detail the conditions which appear to the Commission essential for the termination of the Mandate by Great Britain.

The most important of these conditions is for the protection of the minorities and foreign nationals, as well as for the guarantee of privileges to foreigners' liberty of conscience and the maintenance of International Conventions.

Finally, the Report states that the Treaty of Alliance between Great Britain and Iraq does not injure the independence of Iraq.

The Commission's Report is likely to be approved by the League Council on January 25 and the September assembly is expected to admit Iraq to the League. Britain's Mandate will automatically terminate on such admission.

**BURMA ROUND TABLE
CONFERENCE****PROGRESSING AT FULL
SPEED****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

LONDON, Jan. 6.
In contrast to the deadlock throughout the India Round Table Conference proceedings, the Burma Round Table is moving forward full speed.

There is every promise of a harmonious termination within a few days.

Premier's Statement on Tuesday.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Jan. 5.
The Burma delegates sitting in committee to-day concluded consideration of their report. The Session will be held on Friday and, if necessary, will be continued on Monday.

As at present arranged, the Prime Minister will make a statement on the Government's policy regarding Burma on Tuesday.

**GERMAN SHIPPING
SLUMP****REACHES UNPRECEDENTED
LOW LEVEL****700,000 Tons Laid-up
at Hamburg****(Reuter's Special Service.)**

HAMBURG, Jan. 6.
HE German shipping slump has reached an unprecedented level.

One hundred and seventy-five vessels, of which twenty-five are foreign, making a total tonnage of 700,000, are lying idle at Hamburg.

Numerous firms have laid-up their entire fleets and are using chartered foreign vessels in consequence of the fall in sterling.

**SLEIGH TRAGEDY
IN POLAND****NEWLY-MARRIED COUPLE
DROWNED****(Reuter's Special Service.)**

WARSAW, Jan. 5.
Terrible tragedy terminated the celebrations following a wedding in a village near Vilna to-day.

In the midst of the jollifications, the younger members of the party organised a sleigh race across a frozen lake. The bride and bridegroom were members of the opposing "teams."

The race was in full progress when the ice suddenly broke under two of the sleighs, throwing the seven passengers into the icy water.

Villagers who were quickly on the scene, were able to rescue five of the victims; but the couple who had just been married were drowned.

**STRONG GALE IN
ENGLISH CHANNEL****KINGSFORD SMITH
DEPARTS****[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]**

RUGBY, Jan. 6.
A strong gale in the English Channel delayed shipping this morning, and caused a postponement of the departure of Kingsford-Smith who, in the Southern Star with air mail, intended to leave for Australia at mid-day.

WEATHER REPORT.

The weather report, forecast and remarks issued by the Royal Observatory, Hong Kong, at 5.50 p.m. yesterday state:—

The typhoon is about 250 miles to the N. of Yap, moving northward.

The anti-cyclone over S.E. Mongolia is strengthening and spreading southward.

Local forecast.—E. or variable winds, moderate; fair.

THE GRAF ZEPPELIN**MAY VISIT AUSTRALIA
IN MARCH****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

SYDNEY, Jan. 6.
Provided the Commonwealth Government does not object, the Graf Zeppelin may visit Sydney in connection with the opening of the giant harbour bridge on March 3.

**PAYMENT OF DEBTS IN
SILVER****SENATOR BORAH'S
SUGGESTION****[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.
Apparently determined not to relax his efforts for the rehabilitation of silver, Senator Borah has submitted to the Senate a Bill authorising foreign debtors to repay their debts in silver.

The Bill also requests the Treasury to mint silver coins of certain weights having the status of currency at the market value of the metal.

Like most of Senator Borah's previous ventures in this particular connection, the Bill is expected to prove short-lived.

**SAILORS ARRESTED
AT HAKODATE****FOR TRESPASSING IN
FORTIFIED AREA****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

TOKYO, Jan. 6.
Five sailors, from the Blue Funnel liner Antiochus, were arrested at Hakodate to-day for trespassing in fortified area, and are now under examination at the local Procurator's office. It is expected they will be released with a warning.

**GOVERNOR OF
KWANGTUNG****MR. TANG CHAK YU
MENTIONED****(From Our Own Correspondent.)**

CANTON, Jan. 6.
Mr. Tang Chak Yu, a member of the former Canton National Government, has been mentioned for the Governorship of Kwangtung, now that Dr. C. C. Wu has definitely declined the offer. Mr. Tang is a veteran member of the Kuomintang and was an intimate friend of the late Dr. Sun Yat Sen. He is also well-known in Hong Kong, where he has resided during the last few years.

The appointment of Mr. Tang is being considered in Nanking and will be made public in the course of the next few days.

**"IRONSIDES" MARCH
NORTH****(From Our Own Correspondent.)**

CANTON, Jan. 6.
A report from Nanning, capital of Kwangsi, states that two regiments of "Ironsides," formerly under the command of General Chang Kai-shek, have left Nanning and are marching north. Their avowed purpose is participating in an expedition to Manchuria. They were expected to arrive at Chuenchow yesterday whence they will march into Hunan.

**CLOSURE OF CANTON
FOREIGN OFFICE****(From Our Own Correspondent.)**

CANTON, Jan. 6.
In an interview with Pressman, Mr. Tao Hsi, secretary of the Canton Foreign Office, declared that the winding-up of the Canton Foreign Office was expected to be completed in the next few days. Part of staff of the Canton Foreign Office have gone to Nanking to take up new posts in the Nanking Foreign Office. He himself would also leave Canton for Nanking.

**ATLANTIC FLEET
EXERCISES****[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]**

RUGBY, Jan. 5.
The ships of the Atlantic Fleet are to-day and to-morrow leaving their home ports, Portsmouth, Chatham and Devonport, to concentrate for the annual Spring exercises.

For reasons of economy, too, the fleet will be reduced to a detachment consisting of H.M.S. Hood, H.M.S. Repulse, H.M.S. Dorsetshire, H.M.S. Norfolk, H.M.S. Exeter, and H.M.S. York, under Admiral Tomkinson, will leave the main fleet on a visit to British West Indian ports.

**U.S. POST OFFICE BOMB
OUTRAGE****THREE SUSPECTS RELEASED****[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]**

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.
Hopes that the perpetrators of the bomb outrages at Easton, Penn., had been traced were dispelled when three men, who were arrested on suspicion of complicity, were released after five hours' questioning.

**SINO-JAPANESE
NEGOTIATIONS****TO SETTLE MANCHURIAN
AFFAIRS****(From Our Own Correspondent.)**

SHANGHAI, Jan. 6.
Following a series of conversations between Mr. Wang Ching Wei, Marshal Fong Yu Hsiang and Mr. Sugano (the latter being Mr. Inukai's personal representative) at which Mr. Eugene Chon also took part in the later stages, rumours are in circulation that the result of the conversations would be a prelude to direct negotiations between Nanking and Tokyo for the settlement of the Manchurian affair. This has aroused strong opposition in unofficial circles, particularly among the students of Shanghai universities.

**INVOCATION OF NINE
POWER TREATY****[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]**

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.
Commenting on yesterday's Ambassador's talks the New York Times' Washington correspondent predicts further joint diplomatic representations, and possibly the invocation of the Nine Power Treaty of 1922, to protect their interests and to prevent war in China.

The Herald Tribune also forecasts concerted developments "following a day of significance and new move in the Manchurian situation."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**MANCHURIAN COMMISSION**

LONDON, Jan. 6.
It is officially stated that Lord Lytton has accepted nomination to be the British representative on the

**SHANGHAI RETURNING
TO JAPAN**

TOKYO, Jan. 6.
It is learned that Mr. Stigmen, at his own request, is returning to Japan shortly for the purpose of consulting with the Government on general policy towards China. Prior to leaving Mr. Stigmen will visit Mr. Chao, but it is understood that the visit purposes to pave the way for the opening of direct negotiations as Japan remains adamant that China must first recognise Japan's "five fundamental" principles.

AUTONOMY IN MANCHURIA

TOKYO, Jan. 6.
Autonomy in Manchuria is one of the three most important principles which ought to emerge from the present situation, said General (Continued on next column.)

**NANKING'S WEAK
FOREIGN POLICY****FURTHER STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS
FEARED****Grave Developments
Expected****(From Our Own Correspondent.)**

SHANGHAI, Jan. 6.
That there is a possibility of student agitation and resentment against the Government's foreign policy assuming a form of renewed disturbances and demonstrations in all parts of the country was fore-shadowed by the attitude of representatives of various student organisations at the Chamber of Commerce, where an announcement was made that mass meetings and demonstrations had been planned to take place throughout the city against the weak-kneed policy of Nanking and the failure of merchants to accede to the demands of students for a general strike.

The co-operation of workmen in sought and labour unions are being approached for this purpose.

Grave developments are feared.

**ANTI-BANDIT
DRIVE****YU HAN MOU TO LEAD
EXPEDITION INTO FUKIEN****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

NANKING, Jan. 6.
Much significance is attached to a report from Hong Kong which states that Yu Han Mou, a subordinate of Chen Tai Tong, is planning an expedition into Fukien for the suppression of "bandits."

The report declares that a conference of Canton military leaders, held on January 3, discussed measures for this expedition, and also steps to effect an alliance between Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Yunnan, Szechuan and Kweichow.

It is further reported that the Kwangtung and Kwangsi authorities have decided to cease remitting Customs revenues to Nanking as the funds are required for anti-bandit purposes.

Minami to Pressman on his arrival at Miji on his return from Manchuria, the other two being an open door and equal opportunity.

General Minami is reported as saying that Japan need not worry what sort of government is established in Manchuria, but "neither Japan, the Chinese Government nor any third party ought to be allowed to interfere with the new government's administrative policies."

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Sports News

HOCKEY.

SIM SHIELD COMPETITION.

CLUB BEAT ARMY.

The first match in the Sim Shield competition was played at the S.R.C. ground yesterday when the Hong Kong Hockey Club beat the Army by four goals to two in a fast and interesting game.

The match was marked by keenness and fine play on both sides; Owen-Hughes, in particular, played a sterling game, and was mainly responsible for the Club's win.

The match started with the soldiers slightly on the offensive but the Club's defence was sound. After about ten minutes in which both goals were visited in turn and some fine play was seen, Owen-Hughes opened the scoring for the Club when from a nice pass by Divett, he beat the Army's goalie with a beautiful cross shot. Undaunted by this, however, the soldiers attacked and after a few raids managed to equalise through Capt. Morgan. From then on, play became a dingo struggle, with the ball mostly in mid-field until a fine run by Owen-Hughes awarded his side a penalty corner, which, however, was shot over the bar by Francis. Half-time arrived with the score one goal to nil.

Army Attack.

After the interval, the Army attacked and Williams had hard luck not scoring, his shot being stopped by Divett, who had to use his body to dodge it. Play was then transferred to the other end, but Capt. Huxford, the Army back, was playing a sound defence. After some continued pressing, Lieut. Macfarlan, apparently scored a goal (and the referee allowed it too), but Lieut. Macfarlan sportingly told the referee that he kicked the ball into the net, and consequently the goal was disallowed.

From the bully-off the Club broke away and Owen-Hughes, after a solo run-down, passed the ball to D. B. Evans who made no mistake with it. From then on the Army had most of the attack, but found the Club's goalie in fine form. Two beautiful shots, which looked like certain goals, were stopped by that player, but after some scrambling in the goal-mouth, the soldiers at last succeeded in equalising, again through Capt. Morgan.

Divett's Solo Effort.

The Club again took the lead shortly afterwards when Divett, who was combining well with Owen-Hughes, made a solo effort, and after succeeding in tempting the Army's goalie to come out, passed the ball to Owen-Hughes who sent it into the empty net.

Just before time Tetley added the fourth goal for the Club from a nice pass by Owen-Hughes.

For the winners, Owen-Hughes and Divett played a splendid game while for the losers, Capt. Morgan, Capt. Huxford and Williams were perhaps the best players.

The Teams.

The teams were:—
Army: Ford, Pole, Capt. Huxford, Jack, Lieut. Tyler, Davis, Smith, Johnson, Lieut. Macfarlan, Capt. Morgan and Williams.
Club: G. Duncan, W. Woodward, J. Rodger, W. A. Reed, A. A. Dand, E. V. Reed, H. Owen Hughes, G. E. R. Divett, C. C. Francis, D. B. Evans and J. L. Tetley.

CLUB TEAM FOR MONDAY.

The following will represent the Hong Kong Hockey Club, 2nd XI against the Central British on the Club Ground on Monday at 5 p.m.:—
E. S. Moses, L. F. Nicholson, A. R. Duncan, G. F. Reed, E. G. S. Dale, A. R. Botelho, L. D. Kilbey, S. J. H. Fox, W. A. Nowers, S. Hill and E. Fincher.

FANLING GOLF.

FIRST ROUND OF CAPTAIN'S CUP.

In the Captain's Cup (1931) match play, first round, played at Fanling.

J. E. Richardson beat G. O. Matthews (4 and 3).
A. C. I. Bowker beat W. C. Shields (2 and 1).
R. M. Wood w.o. Capt. J. H. Anderson (scratched).
C. W. F. Booker beat F. Black (1 up).
P. Morrison beat J. W. Mayhew at the 22nd.
H. Hampton w.o. Capt. A. W. Davison (scratched).
Surge-Lt. Comdr. E. J. K. Weeks beat S. J. H. Fox (2 and 1).
Comdr. Holo beat R. M. Henderson (1 up).

CRICKET.

I.R.C. TEAM FOR SATURDAY.

The following will represent the Indian R. C. 1st XI in a League match against the University, 1st XI on the I.R.C. ground on Saturday, at 2 p.m.—A. A. Rijnman (Capt.), F. D. Pereira, S. R. Korman, A. H. Rijnman, A. H. Madar, S. A. Ismail, O. Ismail, A. K. Minu, A. R. Minu, J. S. A. Currie, and H. D. Rijnman. Reserves—M. el Areulli and A. T. Barma.

R.A.S.C. v. Civil Service.

The following have been selected to play for the R.A.S.C. in a League match against the Civil Service C.C. to be played at Sookunpoo on Saturday: W.O.I. Pamplin (Capt.), S. Q. M. S. Payne, S/Sgt. Skipp, Sgt. Hurst, L/Opl. Cadman, L/Opl. Spain, L/Opl. Reynolds, Pte. Funnell, Pte. Evers-Buckland, Dvr. Whitley and Dvr. Gray. Reserves: Dvr. Castelow, Pte. Boreford, Umpire, Mr. Bowers. Scorer, Sgt. King.

TEST CRICKET

AUSTRALIA WIN THIRD TEST AND RUBBER

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

MELBOURNE, Jan. 6. Australia won the Third Test match by 167 runs, thus winning the rubber.

Scores as enabled by Reuter follow:—

Australia, 1st innings	198
S. Africa, 1st innings	358
Australia—2nd Innings.	
W. M. Woodfull, c Mitchell, b McMillan	161
W. H. Ponsford, c Mitchell, b Bell	34
D. G. Bradman, l.b.w., b Vincent	K7
A. F. Kippax, c Carnow, b McMillan	87
S. J. McCabe, c Mitchell, b McMillan	71
K. Rigg, c Mitchell, b Vincent	1
W. A. Oldfield, l.b.w., b McMillan	0
E. L. A. Beckett, b Vincent	4
C. V. Grimmett, not out	16
T. M. Wall, b Vincent	12
Ironmonger, b Quinn	0
Extras	21
Total	584
S. Africa—2nd Innings.	
S. Carnow, b Grimmett	9
B. Mitchell, c and b Grimmett	46
A. J. Christy, c Oldfield, b Ironmonger	63
H. W. Taylor, b Grimmett	38
D. P. B. Morkel, b Ironmonger	4
H. B. Cameron, l.b.w., b Ironmonger	13
J. Viljoen, b Ironmonger	2
C. L. Vincent, c Ponsford, b Grimmett	34
Q. McMillan, C. Wall, b Grimmett	1
N. L. Quinn, not out	0
A. J. Bell, b Grimmett	0
Extras	16
Total	225
Bowling Analysis:	
Grimmett	46 14 92 0
Ironmonger	42 18 64 4

GOLF NOTES.

(By "MASHIE-NIBLICK.")

The final of the Kowloon Golf Club Championship on Sunday produced, as was expected, some excellent golf and an exciting finish. After being 6 down on the first 9 holes, 4 down after 13 and 5 down with 9 to go, Remedios squared matters by the 33rd, was dormant 1 by the 35th and, by halving the last, finished 1 up on da Roza. The result is a wonderful tribute to Remedios' fighting powers which have stood him in good stead in many other finals on this course but in none has he overcome such a seemingly overwhelming handicap. Congratulations will generally be extended to Remedios on winning for the sixth time the Championship of this sporting little Club. Da Roza, who has often figured prominently in the Championship but never before had the coveted prize so near within his grasp, has deservedly received congratulations on his sterling display.

I understand that although both players were most greens in the same number of strokes, it was da Roza's putting, particularly in the earlier stages of the game, that was responsible for his, at one time, apparently commanding lead. Luck turned at the 35th where, with both players on the green (the long hole) in 2, Remedios sank his putt for an eagle 3. Da Roza had a good chance of winning the last hole and thus halving the match but just missed his putt.

Glancing through the draw for the Championship of the Ladies' section of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club, I was struck by the large proportion of married lady entrants and by the absence of the names of many young ladies who may be observed playing quite good golf at Fanling during the week-ends. The reason presumably is that they have positions in local offices which debar them from playing during the week. This has a bearing on the proposal of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club to discriminate in the proposed ladies' subscription between relatives and non-relatives of members. Ladies who do not work in a business or professional capacity (and I take it that the majority of these are wives or daughters of members) get far more use of the course than others—except perhaps those in the Educational Department whose special hours and holidays enable them to use the course fairly frequently. Why then, it is asked, should ladies who are able to use the course during the week pay a lower subscription than those who are limited to occasional week-ends? A fairer system would be to treat each case on its merits and although this might place the Committee in a rather an invidious position, I understand that such a solution is being seriously considered.

I have understood that no objections have been raised by lady players who are non-relatives of members and who have been called upon by the Kowloon Golf Club to pay more than lady players who are. I also understand that a good response has been received and that well over half the ladies on the roll of that Club have come forward with their subscriptions.

The erection of the new Club House at Kowloon is proceeding apace and should be finished well within contract time. I understand that the relative merits are being discussed of purchasing a dynamo for generating electricity or of re-questing the China Light and Power Co. to extend the main from the village.

It will interest Hong Kong golfers who are shortly proceeding on Home leave to learn that a scheme has been launched by the promoters of a new organisation known as the Reciprocal Golf Society with the object of cheapening golf by means of forgoing the green fee charged by Clubs to visiting players. In short, the project provides for the issue of a kind of season ticket enabling the holder to play where he pleases. The scheme aims at procuring reciprocal privileges from Clubs in the British Isles, more particularly those within a twenty miles radius of Charing Cross, the golfers to benefit being those who are full members of any Club becoming affiliated to the Society. The underlying idea is not only to promote a freer circulation of players over different courses than has been the case hitherto, but to assist those Clubs which are suffering from an insufficiency of players and are desirous of entertaining more visitors.

INTERNATIONAL GOLF.

U.S. AND BRITISH WOMEN TO MEET.

WALKER CUP MAY BE POSTPONED.

London, Nov. 19.—In all probability there will be two golf matches next year between two amateur representative teams of England and America. The first official match between women representatives of England and America will take place, probably on the Royal Mid-Surrey Course, in the Spring, and the Walker Cup match is due to be played in America. There is, however, some likelihood of the Walker Cup contest being affected by the financial condition of the nations concerned, and it may have to be postponed.

The actual date and place of the women's match has not yet been settled but the Ladies' Golf Union of England has received permission from the Royal Mid-Surrey Club, Richmond, to play the match on their course in the third week in May.

It will be decided by foursomes and singles, on the lines of the men's Walker Cup match will be played biennially. A cup has been presented by two Philadelphia sisters, the Misses M. and H. S. Curtis, each of whom has won the United States Championship. These two sisters contested the final of the American Women's Championship as far back as 1907, Miss M. Curtis, winning by 1 and 0.

"Hard Hitting Helen."

It is expected that Miss Enid Wilson will lead the British team and in all probability she will have an opportunity of avenging her defeat at the hands of "Hard Hitting Helen" Hicks, who knocked her out of this year's American Championship. There is also a possibility that two other old foes will meet again, as Mrs. Glenna Collett Vare and Miss Joyce Wethered may be members of the teams of their respective countries. Should this be so, Mrs. Vare will have a chance to avenge her defeat by Miss Wethered in the 1929 British Ladies' Championship, which the English girl won by 2 and 1.

One of the conditions under which the Royal Mid-Surrey course is leased from the Crown is that gate-money shall not be charged without special permission, but in this case permission has been given by the Crown authorities, and gate money will be charged. Some 3,000 people watched the Anglo-French match at Oxhey in October and it is expected that a much greater crowd will witness this Anglo-American contest.

Young Players.

With such young players as Diana Fishwick, Kathleen Garman, Wanda Morgan, Pauline Doran, Nan Baird and countless other promising players to call upon the British team will stand a great chance of repeating their victory of the unofficial match between the two countries which was played last year and resulted in a narrow win for Great Britain by 3 matches to 0. On the other hand America has also some young and promising players, chief of whom are Miss Helen Hicks, Miss Maureen Orcutt, Miss Virginia Van Wie and Miss P. Wattles.

There should be a great battle of youth if such as these are chosen and nothing since the retirement of the inimitable Robert Tyre Jones will command more interest than the match between the respective captains, Miss Joyce Wethered, or as she will then be, Mrs. Hutchinson, and Mrs. Glenna Collett Vare.

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FELL 400 FEET TO CLIFFE LEDGE.

ROPE RESCUE IN FIERCE GALE.

In a raging gale at night police officers rescued a man who, during the afternoon, fell 400 feet down the cliff at Beachy Head at a point where it is over 500 feet high. He was found to be uninjured except for a bruised shoulder.

About 4 o'clock in the afternoon the coastguards found a man's hat near the cliff edge and informed the police.

Police-Sergeant Arnold and P.C. Simmons set out to search the beach. They were returning in the dark, having discovered nothing, when they saw a light about 100 feet above. They shouted and were surprised to hear a man reply. They told him to stay where he was and they would reach him from the top.

On Narrow Ledge.

They returned to Eastbourne and went to the edge of the cliff. By this time a fierce gale was blowing, and it was difficult to keep a foothold on the cliff top.

Arnold and Simmons volunteered to be lowered by ropes, and after some time found the man lying on a narrow ledge.

They had taken splints and bandages with them, but the man appeared to be uninjured. All were then pulled up to the top, the whole operation taking two hours, during which torrential rain was falling. Levy, who was taken to the infirmary, told the police that he came to Eastbourne for the day. He was walking along Beachy Head about 3.30 when his hat blew off. He turned to catch it, lost his balance, and remembered nothing else until he started striking matches.

CHLOROFORM ATTACK IN A CELLAR.

PRISON AND BIRCH FOR YOUTH.

The story of a struggle in a cellar where a man was overcome by chloroform was told at the Old Bailey, when Leslie Charles Clark, aged 19, a baker, and Henry James Cross, aged 20, a baker's assistant, were found guilty of assaulting James Dellar while being armed with an offensive weapon.

It was stated that Dellar, who kept a coffee stall, took home about £20. He went to the cellar to put a coin in the gas meter when Cross rushed at him and pushed a pad soaked with chloroform over his face. Dellar knocked him down. Clark then appeared, and in the struggle Dellar was overcome by the chloroform. The men escaped.

A chemist who sold the chloroform said that there was just enough "to send a kitten to sleep."

Miss Stephenson, defending, asked for leniency on the ground that the men were both young.

The Recorder (Sir Ernest Wild, K.C.)—It is no good telling me they are nineteen and twenty. It is young men who are doing these hold-ups, which I am determined to stamp out.

Clark was sentenced to Borstal treatment for three years, and Cross was sentenced to nine months' imprisonment, with 18 strokes of the birch. Dellar was awarded £2 from the public fund, the Recorder remarking that he behaved with considerable courage.

LEFT PRISON CHEERING.

CONVICTS' JOURNEY OVER SOLENT.

Newport (Isle of Wight).—Dressed in their Sunday best—brown tweed Norfolk suits, with red collar bands and blue caps, similar to the old Army "Brodricks"—about 100 convicts cheered loudly when they left Camp Hill Prison for Looe.

With their departure the prison has ceased to be the establishment for the preventive detention of habitual criminals, for which it was built under Mr. Churchill's regime as Home Secretary twenty years ago.

It will now be used as a Borstal institution, and 150 boys have been there for several months. Fifty more are expected this week.

The farewell provided an interesting spectacle. It was the largest single party of convicts ever moved from Parkhurst.

In Four Motor-Buses.

At half-past eight four motor-buses arrived at the prison gates, and the prisoners were marched out. Most of them were shackled together in fours, but about twenty with good records were free, and they handled the baggage, which included the musical instruments of the convicts band.

(Continued on next Column.)

LONDON POLICE MEETINGS.

LORD TRENCARD'S NEW POLICY.

Lord Trencard, the new Metropolitan Commissioner of Police, inaugurated a series of private meetings, which he will hold from time to time, between himself and all ranks of the police.

He spoke to over 2,500 members of the Force at Queen's Hall.

It is the Commissioner's intention to make these meetings—which are private, and deal with "domestic" matters—a regular feature.

There will probably be three meetings a year, attendance at which will be voluntary.

Those attending the first meeting were drawn from all divisions, and admission was by ticket. The men attended in their own time.

The strength of the force at present is approximately 20,500.

If any of the convicts were sorry to leave their old home—and some had spent ten years there—they did not show it. As they drove off they gave three cheers for the staff, and the cheers were renewed when little groups of prison officers' wives and children were encountered as the buses drove through the prison precincts. The women waved handkerchiefs and the children answered the convicts' cheers and good-byes. About twenty officers in civilian dress accompanied the prisoners.



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£16,000 DAMAGES FOR TRAINER.

JOCKEY CLUB LOSE LIBEL ACTION.

TO APPEAL FORTHWITH AGAINST VERDICT.

DAMAGES TOTALLING £16,000 AWARDED TO MR. CHARLES CHAPMAN, THE RACEHORSE TRAINER, IN THE KING'S BENCH DIVISION ON DECEMBER 1 WHEN THE JURY FOUND FOR HIM IN THE DON PAT LIBEL SUIT AGAINST THE STEWARDS OF THE JOCKEY CLUB. A STAY OF EXECUTION WITH A VIEW TO APPEAL WAS GRANTED.

It was stated that the appeal would be entered and prosecuted forthwith.

Before counsel addressed the jury Mr. Justice Horridge said: "There seems to be only one question for the jury to answer: Do the words complained of mean that Mr. Chapman himself doped Don Pat?"

Mr. Chapman, who lives at Shiffall Cottage, Lavant, Sussex, and Lord Rosebery, Lord Harewood and Lord Ellesmere, Stewards of the Jockey Club, Messrs. Weatherby and Sons (publishers of the "Racing Calendar") and "The Times" newspaper.

He claimed damages because of the publication of a decision of the Jockey Club Stewards warning him of Newmarket Heath and disqualifying Don Pat, which he had trained for the Belfort High Weight Handicap at Kempton Park Summer Meeting in 1930. He complained that the publication had injured him in his character, credit and reputation on the turf. The defence was a plea of privilege and justification.

Jury Away 90 Minutes.

The jury were absent for an hour and a half considering their verdict. They found in favour of Mr. Chapman, and awarded him £16,000 damages.

Mr. Justice Horridge directed that verdict and judgment be entered against the Stewards of the Jockey Club and Messrs. Weatherby for £16,000 and against all the defendants for a further £3,000.

Lord Rosebery and Lord Ellesmere were present in court when the jury announced their decision. Lord Harewood had been excused from attending.

Addressing the jury, Mr. Norman Birkett, K.C. (for the Jockey Club stewards) submitted that the club stewards were looking at the whole of the notice in the light of the circumstances in which it was published, what would an ordinary reasonable man understand by it.

The Stewards never said that Mr. Chapman doped the horse, and they contended that on a reasonable interpretation the notice did not mean that.

K.C. and "Dirty Business."

Sir Patrick Hastings, K.C. (for Mr. Chapman), submitted that the words could mean only that Mr. Chapman had been warned off as a dishonest crook. Mr. Birkett had referred to racing as a great national sport. Sir Patrick added: "A great deal of it is great, a great deal of it is national, and a great deal of it is dirty business, and there are many people on the turf who ought to be off it."

Summing up, Mr. Justice Horridge said that while the jury might think that, as Mr. Chapman, at the time of the publication, had been warned off, he was already a damaged man. They must realise that what was complained of was not the action of the Stewards of the Jockey Club in warning off Mr. Chapman, but libel in publishing of him what it was said was not the decision of the Stewards.

The question for the jury was: Are the words within ordinary meaning true.

Question of Damages.

The jury must ask themselves whether a reasonable-minded person, reading the notice, would say, "Well, he must have been warned off for doping, because that is the only thing they have been inquiring about."

On a question of damages, Mr. Justice Horridge said that the Stewards were put in their position to do their duty. They might have made a wrong statement in the newspapers. If that were so, they had to pay for it, and the jury had to say whether their conduct after publishing was in any way such as to aggravate the damages they ought to pay.

The Jury's Answer.

The questions left to the jury and their answers were: (Continued on next column.)

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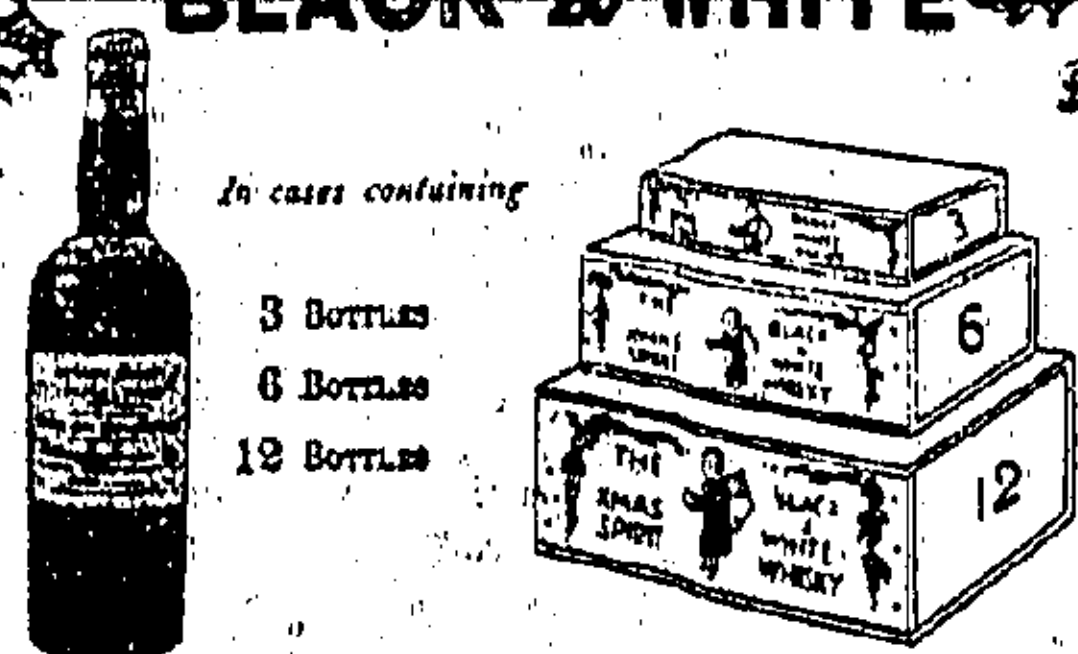
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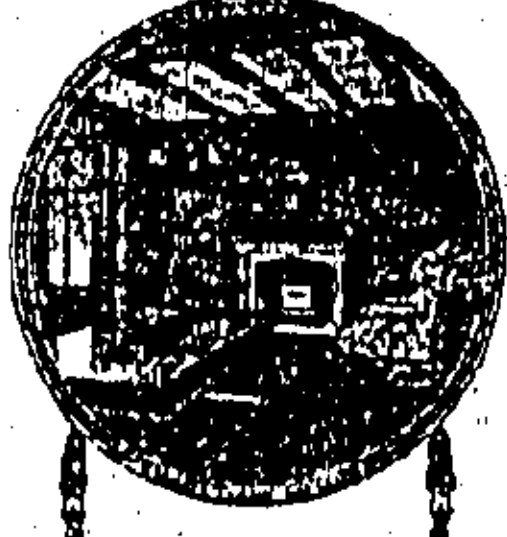


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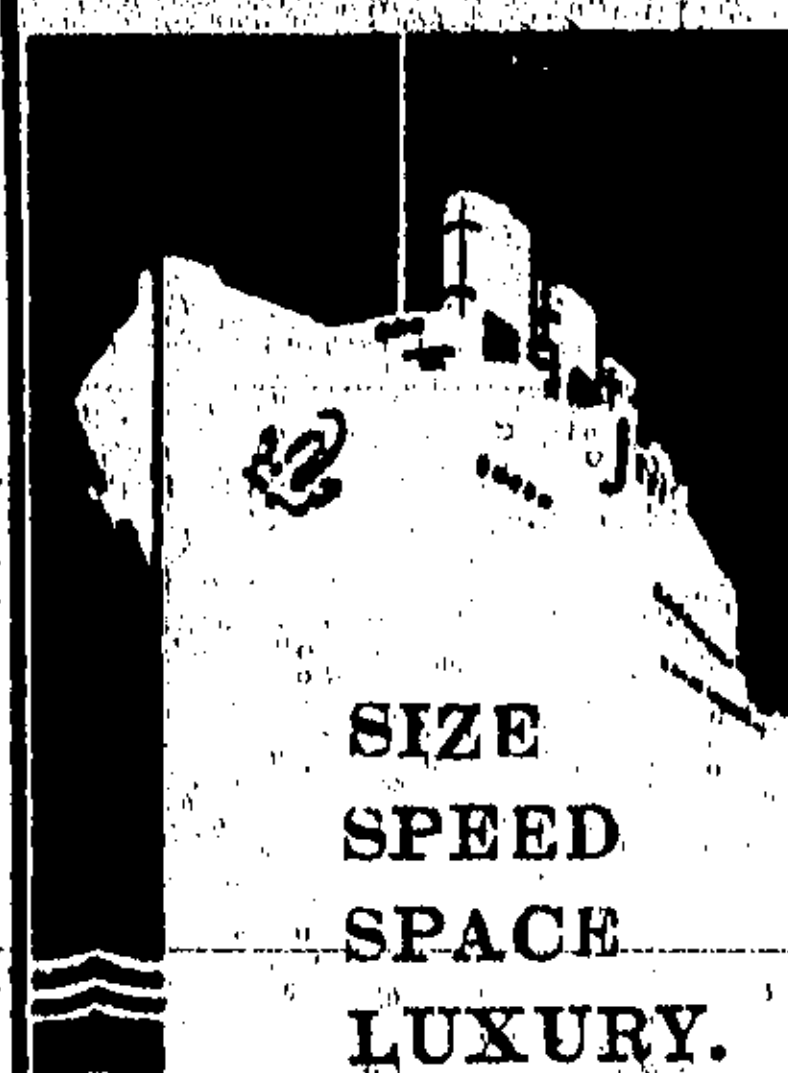
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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

IMPORTS 8,850 TONS;
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42,613 TONS;

The returns, shown at the Harbour Office, of vessels carrying cargo to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

British	Cargo for H.K.	Through Ports.
Mirzapore, Canku	8	1,174
St. Quentin, Calcutta	3,280	2,760
Laganbank, Shanghai	—	700
Cheongshing, Tongku	1,084	699
Suiyang, Shanghai	460	986
Huichow, Tientsin	700	1,000
Tsinan, Canton	—	960
German	—	5,490
Saarland, Dairen	15	4,500
French	—	—
Sphinx, Yokohama	92	867
Canton, Haiphong	100	172
Japanese	—	—
Hakodeta Maru, Chinwangtao	253	1,820
Akita Maru, Calcutta	307	4,324
Hiyi Maru, Seattle	68	—
Takushima Maru, Singapore	228	6,172
Paris Maru, Otaru	—	6,145
Africa Maru, Buenos Aires	713	3,969
Norwegian	—	—
Wilfred, Chinwangtao	1,900	3,200
Norviken, Tsingtao	719	3,699
Total	8,850	42,613

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ending at 9 a.m. yesterday:—

Cheongshing (Br.) Tongku	5
Suiyang (Br.) Shanghai	207
Huichow (Br.) Tientsin	17
Tsinan (Br.) Canton	95
Sphinx (Fr.) Yokohama	6
Canton (Fr.) Haiphong	11
Africa Maru (Jap.) Buenos Aires	11
Norviken (Nor.) Tsingtao	9
Total	361

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

The arrivals and departures during the 24 hours ending at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

British	Arr.	Dep.
American	1	1
German	1	0
French	2	0
Norwegian	4	7
Japanese	0	1
Dutch	0	1
Chinese	0	2
Total	22	22

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following warships are in port:—

Basin—Tamar.
North Wall—Sterling, Seraph.
South Wall—Bruce, Marazion.
East Wall—Herald, Olympus.
Cornflower, Proteus, Pandora.
North Arm—Kent.
West Wall—Wild Swan, Wishart.
Verity, Whitehall.
Dock—Mooren, Sirdar, Serapis.
Buoy No. 2—Medway and Submarines.
Buoy No. 3—Cumberland.
Foreign—Portuguese transport and G.I. Danes. French dispatch vessel Craonne; Chinese A/L Kuang Kum.

SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

The following merchant vessels were in port yesterday:—

Wharves.
Kowloon—Chenocaux.
China Merchants—Hai Fook, Hai Kong.
Jardine Matheson's—Norviken.
O.S.K.—Honn Maru.
Saikong—Wing Lee.
Docks.
Kowloon—Limchow, Hiye Maru, Yuan Geng, Gil Eanes, Kwaisang, Yuensang, Nanking.
Taikoo—C. H. Riviere, Kwaiyang, Sinkiang, Chungking, H.M.S. Suffolk, Rhexenor, Hervar, Chichibu Maru.

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BUOYS.

No. A2.—Paris Maru.
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No. A16.—Hothong.
No. A18.—Laganbank.
No. B1.—Cheongshing.
No. B6.—Menado Maru.
No. B8.—Hermes.
No. B10.—Hiram.
No. B13.—Huichow.
No. B17.—Canton.
No. B20.—Tsinan.
No. B22.—Cape St. Francis.
No. B26.—Penttyre.
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